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The National Council of Young Israel, representing over 100 United States Synagogues and approximately 100,000 American Jews, has been the leading Jewish organization calling for the end of the unjust life sentence to Jonathan Pollard. We are now calling for the end of the outrageous parole conditions imposed on Pollard since his release.

Jonathan Pollard was released from jail after serving 30 years for giving classified information to an ally, a crime in which the average sentence was less than 10 years. The onerous parole conditions barring Pollard from traveling outside a small area, requiring him to wear a GPS bracelet 24/7 and confining him to his apartment from 7pm - 7am every single day, are unjust and wrong. Former National Security Adviser, Bud McFarlane, and former head of Senate Intelligence, Dennis DeConcini, in a bipartisan fashion, signed an affidavit to the court stating that Pollard was no longer a threat and should have these parole conditions removed. Unfortunately, the court relied on a false affidavit signed by former Director of Intelligence, James Clapper, that absurdly claimed that Pollard still possessed important classified information even though it was over thirty years old. As a result of the Clapper affidavit needless government resources are continuously wasted monitoring Pollard's every move.

Pollard's wife Esther is now suffering from breast cancer and needs significant medical help. The unjust parole conditions on Pollard are impairing his ability to properly care for his wife and her illness. This situation could potentially be life threatening should she have a medical emergency during a time he is confined to his home or if she needs to travel outside his permitted area.

We call on the President and/or Attorney General to immediately end the unjust parole conditions of the curfew, the GPS bracelet and the travel restrictions. We also request that the President and/or Attorney General end all additional parole conditions and give Pollard his full freedom after 34 years of incarceration. We ask that action be taken immediately due to the urgent health needs of his wife.

Thank you for considering our request.

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