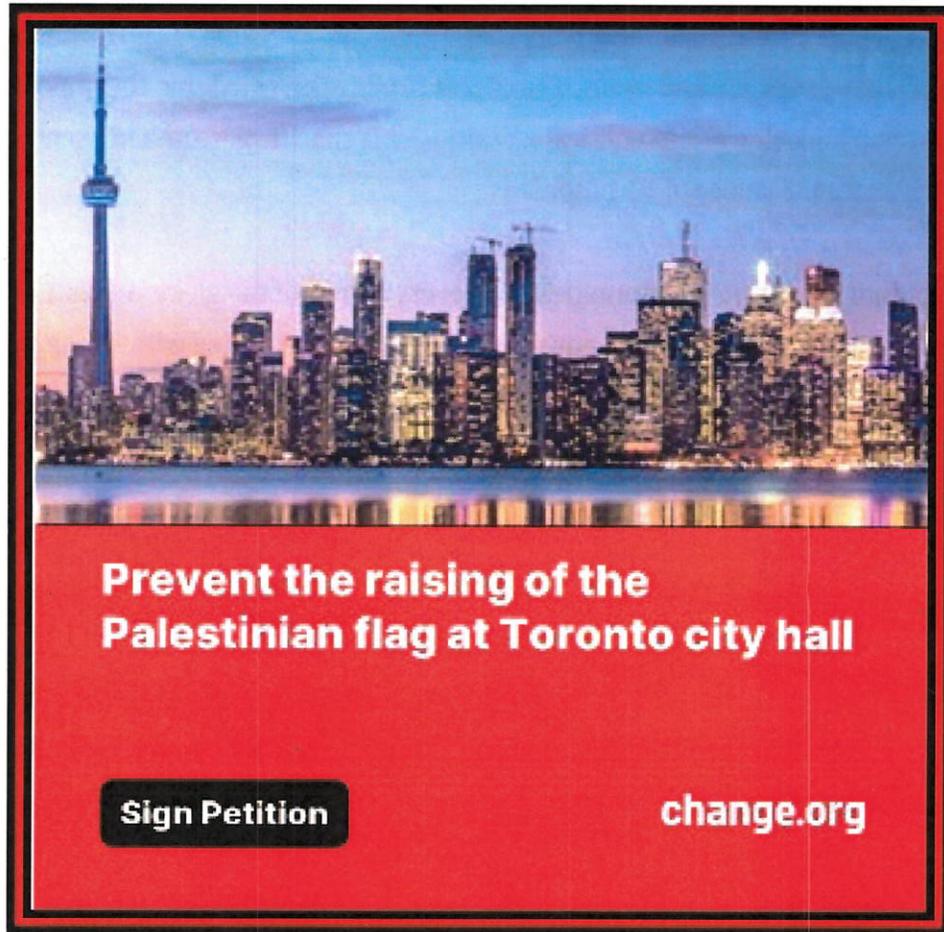


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The Issue

The planned raising of the Palestinian flag at Toronto City Hall on November 17, 2025, has sparked a heated debate among the residents of our diverse and multicultural city. While acknowledging the importance of freedom of expression and supporting cultural and political identities, this specific gesture represents a political statement that might not align with the values of Torontonians.

Toronto is home to individuals and communities from every corner of the globe, and our city hall should remain a neutral ground that represents all residents equally. Raising a flag associated with a prolonged and highly sensitive international conflict could inadvertently cause division and tension among the city's populace. Events in the Middle East, especially those involving Israel and Palestine, are complex and deeply rooted in history, with implications that transcend borders.

The decision to fly a flag should respect the feelings and views of all community members, ensuring that city hall remains a place of unity rather than discord. Meeting this objective requires acknowledging our city's richly woven multicultural fabric without prioritising one perspective over another. It is essential that we create forums, dialogues, and events that invite inclusive discussions, paving the way for understanding and cooperation among all ethnic and national groups within Toronto.

We propose alternative actions to support Palestinian awareness and solidarity that do not involve flying a flag at a city-level government institution. This could include educational events, local debates, and cultural exhibitions that encourage inclusive dialogue and understanding.

We call upon city officials and decision-makers to reconsider the decision to raise the Palestinian flag at Toronto City Hall and explore other means of fostering dialogue and unity that do not risk alienating segments of our cherished community. Let us remain committed to preserving Toronto's unity and cultural richness by placing equal importance on all cultural narratives.

We urge you to stand with us in promoting an inclusive Toronto that respects and honours the diversity of our entire population, ensuring our city hall remains a shining symbol of unity. Please sign this petition to voice your support for an alternative path that embraces all perspectives.