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A Sabbath of Comfort, Community, and Courage

WHAT: With the Jewish community having just suffered the worst attack on American Jews in U.S. history, we now find ourselves in yet another moment of deep grief. This attack, however, will not deter us from the embrace of community, nor frighten us away from our synagogue home. In solidarity with religious partners, many of whom also face discrimination and persecution because of their identities, we come together for a Shabbat of Comfort, Community, and Courage. This Shabbat, together with our interfaith partners and civic leaders, we will join prayer and song, as we do what we do on Shabbat: kindle light. Their presence will enable our light to shine even brighter, as we come together for a powerful Shabbat of Comfort, Community, and Courage.

WHEN & WHERE: Friday, November 2, 2018, 6:00 p.m. at Temple Israel of Boston, 477 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02215. No bags or backpacks permitted.

PARTNERS & GUESTS: We anticipate 800-1,000 people to attend this Shabbat service, including:

- Governor Charlie Baker
- Mayor Marty Walsh
- Congresswoman-Elect Ayanna Pressley
- Boston Police Commissioner William Gross

Additional dignitaries will be confirmed on Friday morning.

About Temple Israel of Boston: Temple Israel is a diverse, urban, Reform Jewish congregation where all are welcome to live Judaism together through discovery, dynamic spirituality, and righteous impact. We welcome the opportunity to comment further on this story.

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