

Testimony in Opposition to Ohio HB476, House of Representatives, Committee on Government Accountability & Oversight, May 2, 2016:

My name is Molly Brudnick. I have lived in Cleveland since 1970. In 1968-9 I lived in Israel for 17 months and for 8 of those months I worked at Hadassah Hospital, Jerusalem, as a medical social worker.

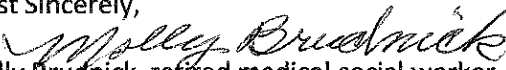
Hadassah Hospital is an example of a "land of peace" where people of all backgrounds receive medical training, work at medical professions, treat people of all backgrounds (religions) equally well.

My support of Hadassah and Israel is constant though I do not support the illegal Israeli settlements in occupied territories, nor the wall keeping the many peaceful Palestinians from easy access to their homes, jobs, places of learning. I am also against the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) against Israel. Both the settlements and BDS take action against whole groups rather than just punishing fanatics on either side.

As for Ohio HB476 I ask that you amend this bill by removing the words "or in territory controlled by Israel" thereby allowing us in Ohio to support the good in technology, medicine, environmental development that Israel produces and shares with the world.

Thank you for your consideration of my above concerns.

Most Sincerely,


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