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**To:** Ethnic Studies <EthnicStudies@cde.ca.gov>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Save Ethnic Studies as Conceived

Dear Committee,

As a Jew whose ancestral home town was razed to the ground by the Nazis, I beseech you, I insist that you allow Arab Studies to continue as part of the ethnic studies curriculum. I want my children and grandchildren to

grow up knowing the history of their Arab brothers and sisters. I want peace in the Middle East. I need you to foster

that peace by allowing my people and Arab peoples to know and respect each other's traditions. Please do not give

in to pressure from right-wing Zionist organizations who do not speak for the 67% of Jews who live outside the State of Israel.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Beer

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