




Speech By
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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Jewish Community

 **Hon. DF CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (2.06 pm): This morning I met with leaders from Queensland's Jewish community. I want to thank them for their time as well as for their candour in discussions with Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner and I. Many Queenslanders were shocked to learn of the recent developments that have occurred interstate. I want Queenslanders to know this: there is no place for anti-Semitism in Queensland—none. It will not be tolerated. We will call it out at every stage, every day. What we have seen occur in other parts of our country will not be tolerated here.

Whilst we have not seen those kinds of attacks on places of worship here, the leaders advise me of a threefold increase in anti-Semitic incidents in recent months—threefold. There are reports of people being violently assaulted because of the shirts they were wearing, students being targeted at school for the books they were carrying and people being in fear of visiting the places where they worship. That is not on and it is not going to continue in Queensland. However, that has happened here in recent months and we must all call it out. All Queenslanders should feel safe, secure and free from abuse wherever they live and whomever they worship.