

Dear Mr. Bellis,

Thank you for contacting me about the ongoing violence in the Gaza strip.

The one simple fact in all of this is I don't like war. The resulting loss of life, property, productivity, and humanity inflicts wounds that never truly heal; where even the "winners" must find ways to cope with their losses. The jarring images of terrorists paragiliding into Israel, innocent Israelis being dragged into cars and taken hostage, Palestinians crying in agony while holding blood-stained toddlers, are gutwrenching on a personal level, and why I hope a peaceful solution is found sooner rather than later.

Representing the 3rd District of Kentucky

On October 7th, Hamas launched a brutally violent surprise invasion of Israel against