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**STATEMENT: Supervisor Spitzer Condemns Recent
Episodes of Hate Against Jewish Community**

Orange County, CA – Supervisor Todd Spitzer is calling for prosecution to the fullest extent of the law against a vandal who attacked Temple Beth Jacob in Irvine today, marking the façade with red graffiti. This comes after 11 worshippers died over the weekend in a Pittsburgh synagogue mass shooting.

Spitzer issued this statement:

“Orange County does not tolerate hate crime, it’s a scourge in our society. I was horrified and saddened to learn of this anti-Semitic crime against a house of worship. [Jewish hate crimes were up last year](#) and they were the second largest group targeted, according to the Orange County Human Relations Commission.

Hate crime has gone up 27 percent since 2015 because many of these cases are not prosecuted. I will monitor this situation to make sure the vandal is brought to justice and vigorously prosecuted.”

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