

## Troubled Jewish Communities - 1979

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At its founding convention in 1913, the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods included among its actions petitions to the President of the United States on behalf of threatened Jewish communities in Palestine and Russia. In the intervening years, in its concern for K'lal Yisrael, Sisterhood has given financial and spiritual support and served as advocates for Jewish communities around the world. In fulfillment of this fundamental commitment for the protection and well-being of Jews facing difficulties and dangers, we express our deepest concerns for Jewish communities under stress wherever they may be, including those in Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq and Syria.

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods resolves that:

- 1) We call upon our respective governments, in accordance with their adherence to the principles of human rights, to take all appropriate actions to insure the internal security of those communities including freedom from harassment, freedom to express their religious points of view and maintain their religious community, equal protection under the laws of their lands and the right to emigrate if they wish.
  
- 2) As we commend the State of Israel for serving as a haven for all Jews who seek refuge, we call upon its government and the appropriate Jewish agencies within our respective nations to provide necessary and appropriate services to aid these communities.