



BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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The Honorable Bernie Moreno
United States Senate
SR-284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Moreno,

Thank you for your September 9 letter regarding our work to combat antisemitism. As a public university, we strive to foster a community in which each member can excel. You asked two important questions, and below are our responses for your reference.

Response to Definition

In December 2023, BGSU formed a university-wide committee to address potential religious-based conflict, harassment or hatred, including antisemitism. With the enactment of the Ohio CAMPUS Act, effective October 24, 2024, BGSU expanded and formalized that committee to construct a Task Force on Combating Religious Identity Discrimination, which did adopt the IHRA's definition of antisemitism, outlined in your letter.

Response to Question 1

We have taken measures to address any unacceptable antisemitism on our campuses. The University has worked with members of our community, including students and student organizations, to proactively protect the rights and safety of students, faculty, and staff and to clearly communicate the consequences of violations of federal and state nondiscrimination laws and university policies against discrimination and harassment that BGSU robustly enforces.

Response to Question 2

We also have longstanding efforts and plans in protecting our students' safety. Our equal opportunity and non-discrimination policies and efforts, along with our compliance, education, reporting and conducting monitoring systems, position the institution to quickly respond to related incidents, especially to address disgusting antisemitism.

We remain committed to these efforts, and we appreciate your leadership of Ohio.

Regards,

A blue ink signature of Rodney K. Rogers, Ph.D., written in a cursive style.

Rodney K. Rogers, Ph.D.
President