

To The State Board of Education,

Thank you for taking the time to read this email. I am the rabbi of the Jewish Community of Greater Stowe, and have served in this capacity for 10 years, representing of that time hundreds of young members of our community and their families who have students in the local Vermont school systems from the North East Kingdom, down to Mad River Valley and everything in between.

Part B in the definition of Ethnic Groups in the Act 1 law -- "groups that have been historically subject to persecution or genocide" -- must be included in the Education Quality Standards' (EQS) and Frameworks' **definitions of Ethnic Groups.**

This is to help ensure our inclusion as Jews and the inclusion of other minorities.

Thank you for your serious consideration,

Rabbi David

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