

Don't move Israel capital to Jerusalem

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To the editor:

The Workmen's Circle condemns President Trump's decision to declare Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. This action — both ill-conceived and very dangerous — will set the peace process — already in jeopardy — back for years, if not serve as a bitter ending to an already tenuous situation.

We affirm our long-held position that peace in Israel must be part of a negotiated two-state solution, along with mutual protections for both Israel and Palestine.

Jerusalem's status must be determined by a peace negotiation and agreement between Israelis and Palestinians, not an imprudent declaration by the United States.

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