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To All Members of the Ontario-Montclair School District Family:

I wanted to take a moment to reach out to everyone in our school community regarding the tragedy that took place yesterday in Las Vegas. Once again, our nation is stunned by a senseless act of violence that has both taken and shattered lives.

Although this senseless act is not related to the Ontario-Montclair School District (OMSD), it could have a direct or indirect impact on our community. I encourage staff, parents or students to reach out should they feel the need for support or assistance. OMSD has resources ready and available to assist families, employees and students.

As we continue to focus on our daily responsibility, which is to provide a world-class education to our students in safe and orderly environments, I want to remind everyone that OMSD schools are "safe havens" and as such, we are a place of love, care and compassion. Bullying and harassment is not acceptable and is taken very seriously. On behalf of our dedicated employees throughout the District, I reaffirm our commitment to ensure our schools are welcoming, safe and full of compassion.

I am grateful and proud that our schools are beacons of humanity and respect. Please let us know if your family or you needs our support during this time, we are always here for one another.

Respectfully,

Jariles Q. Hammond, Ed. D. Superintendent