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We will not be free until the world recognizes that the life of a black mother's child is as important as the life of a white mother's child.

The Israeli government acted upon this belief when it carried out Operation Solomon, the daring rescue operation that brought 14,000 Ethiopian Jews to Israel.

We will not be free until the world recognizes that people who have suffered from the effects of poverty, lack of education, and ill health, have dignity and are to be valued.

The Israeli people cried tears of joy as they welcomed their Ethiopian brothers and sisters. It is for this that Israel exists.

We will not be free until the world stops talking and starts acting.

The Israelis acted. The rescue and absorption of the Ethiopian Jews was a courageous humanitarian act making the Zionist dream come true—rescue of the captives, reunion in their ancient homeland.

As leaders of American cities and towns, we have a stake in Israel.

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