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**COALITION OF BROADWAY UNIONS & GUILDS
CONDEMNS ANTI-SEMITIC PROTESTERS AT FIRST PREVIEW OF
PARADE**

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Actors' Equity Association
American Federation of Musicians
American Guild of Musical Artists
Association of Theatrical Press Agents and Managers, IATSE
Dramatists Guild of America
The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, AFL-CIO, CLC
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 817
International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 30
Local 802 American Federation of Musicians, AFL-CIO
Mail Telephone Order Clerks, IATSE, Local B-751
Make-Up Artists and Hair Stylists, IATSE, Local 798
Service Employees International Union, Local 32BJ
Stage Directors and Choreographers Society, SDC
Theatrical Protective Union, IATSE, Local One
Theatrical Wardrobe Union, IATSE, Local 764
Treasurers and Ticket Sellers Union, IATSE, Local 751
United Scenic Artists, IATSE, Local USA 829
Ushers, Ticket Takers and Stagedoor Persons, IATSE, Local 306

The Coalition of Broadway Unions & Guilds, representing workers both on and off stage in New York State and beyond, today condemned the self-described neo-Nazis who harassed theatergoers prior to Tuesday's preview performance of *Parade* outside the Bernard B. Jacobs Theatre. The involved extremist organization has been known to stage incendiary racist and antisemitic "protests" for decades, and is considered a hate group according to the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Theater and the arts have the power to bring people together, promote empathy and understanding, and inspire each of us to make the world a better place. COBUG is united in its commitment to ensuring that members and audiences can enjoy the transformative power of the arts without fear of harassment or violence.

Antisemitism, vile hate speech, and censorship have no place on Broadway—or in American culture or society," says COBUG Co-Chair Laura Penn, Executive Director, SDC. "COBUG calls on all members of the theatrical community, all people of conscience, and Mayor Eric Adams to safeguard inclusive environments for everyone who participates in or attends theatrical events in New York."

The Coalition of Broadway Unions & Guilds, COBUG, is a group of 18 unions that represents workers both on and off stage in New York State and beyond. The members of the Coalition of Broadway Unions and Guilds are:

Actors' Equity Association
American Federation of Musicians (international union)
American Guild of Musical Artists
Association of Theatrical Press Agents and Managers, IATSE LOCAL 18032
Dramatists Guild of America
The International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, AFL-CIO, CLC
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 817
International Union of Operating Engineers Local 30
Associated Musicians of Greater New York (AFM Local 802)
Mail Telephone Order Clerks, IATSE Local B-751
Make-Up Artists and Hair Stylists, IATSE Local 798
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