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Dear Bergen County Community,

On July 6, 2022, the Rabbinical Court of New City, Vaad Hadin V'Horaah, issued a *psak* (rabbinic ruling) stating that Mr. Ari Satz, a resident of Bergenfield, NJ, is a *sarvan ladin* (recalcitrant to submit to *beis din*) and is obligated to give a *get* (bill of Jewish divorce) to his wife Chavi Satz. The rabbanim of the RCBC have reviewed the *psak* and agree that Mr. Satz must follow the *psak* and must therefore give Chavi a *get* immediately and unconditionally.

We have sent Mr. Satz a letter privately informing him of our position. Until Mr. Satz complies with the *psak*, we have made the decision that Mr. Ari Satz is hereby prohibited from entering all RCBC-affiliated shuls effective immediately.

Additionally, consistent with Jewish tradition (*Harchakos of Rabbeinu Tam*), all members of our community should distance themselves from Mr. Satz in the following ways:

- They should not speak with him unless absolutely necessary
- They should not host him in their homes
- They should not conduct any business with him

Once Mr. Satz complies with the *psak* and gives his wife an unconditional *get*, he will be welcomed back into the community.

We hope and pray that Mr. Satz heeds our call to immediately do what the *halacha* requires of him in order to bring a resolution to this matter.

The Rabbinical Council of Bergen County