

We are Sick and Tired of this.

PLEASE STOP ALREADY!

Periodically we get flyers hand-delivered to the house either for or against the Eiruv (especially recently as the weather turns nice). We all know and understand the issues very well. We are not stupid. Please leave us alone already.

No one has the right to tell anyone that he/she is a "Mechalel Shabbos" for listening to his/her Posek (especially if they are the leading Poskim of the community).

No one has the right to be a "Mazik" and break, rip, tear, someone else's property (including the Eiruv) - not according to our Choshen Mishpat nor according to Dina D'Malchusa.

No one has the right to run after ladies and children in the street and antagonize them for using the Eiruv - not according to basic Tznius or Menschlichkeit.

No one is forcing you to carry!!! You want to be Machmir? - it's your right and privilege, and you deserve respect for that; but don't force anyone to be like you.

Besides, if you use the Eiruv in Yerushalaim and Bnei Brak when you visit (which has ALL the same "chashoshos"), and yet you don't use the one in Boro Park - then you are a fraud! Because the Boro Park Eiruv has Mechitzas in addition to the Eiruv - making it a better and more Kosher Eiruv (according to the leading Poskim in Eretz Yisrael and here).

Don't compare using the Eiruv to someone eating a McDonald's cheeseburger, or make them sound like Reform Jews - it shows ignorance and makes you sound stupid. And, if you don't want to use the Eiruv, don't accuse those that do of making machlokes (מחלוקת).

If you eat machine matzos (and many Ehrliche Yidden do) - does anyone scream or berate you for that?? - even though it is Chometz Gomur to most of this community.

~~If you shave your beard~~ - does anyone intimidate you?? - even though most Gedolim (including the foremost past Litvishe Gedolim) held it to be a probable Issur D'Oraiso - and so do most people in this community.

So you print leaflets, list names of Rabbonim and Roshei Yeshivos (and we know which are from the community and which are not, just as we know which are false signatures and which are true) - and you think this will sway people?

Besides, since when did Roshei Yeshivos become Poskim? We ask Shmiras Shabbos questions to the same Rabbonim and Poskim that we ask the Chayvei Krisus questions.

SO we ask BOTH sides to please STOP sending us your flyers. These things cost small fortunes to disseminate. Give that wasted money to Tomchei Shabbos (or any other worthy charity) instead. There it will make a difference - your flyers will not!

Vaad of Boro Park Community Residents