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Glen Cove, NY... While we share her concern over the horrible conditions and treatment of immigrants at our southern border, the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County is troubled by U. S. Representative Ocasio-Cortez' use of the phrase "concentration camps" to describe the situation. As Representative Tom Suozzi so correctly stated, "words matter." "Concentration camps" is not a generic term; it is intrinsically linked to the Holocaust and to the millions of Jews and others who were murdered in them in a state sponsored genocide. In co-opting the words "concentrations camps" to make a political statement, and then deepening the wound by adding the words "never again," another phrase uniquely tied to the Holocaust, she deeply offended and hurt survivors of the Holocaust and all those dedicated to memorializing its victims.

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