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Sunday 27th June 2004

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## Community group joins Fathers for Justice Protest

# JUMP start to protest for fair access to children



Banner headline: the JUMP name to the fore during last Friday's demo

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By LOUISE SCODIE

JEWISH PARENTS estranged from their children were among 100 protesters who marched with the high-profile pressure group Fathers for Justice from Lincoln's Inn to the

Department of Constitutional Affairs last Friday.

Members and supporters of Jewish Unity for Multiple Parenting, or JUMP, backed the event — including the delivery of a petition to Downing Street. It was timed to coincide with the approach of Father's Day.

Campaigning for improved relationships between divorced parents and their children, the group wants the government to rectify an alleged lack of legislation to help parents and grandparents allowed little or no access to their children and grandchildren by other family members.

Interviewed on the understanding of anonymity, a JUMP representative whose former husband has severely restricted contact between her and her children told the JC that the protest "was a very positive day. We identified two Jewish fathers on the march who weren't aware of our existence until they saw our banner. They were pleased to find us. There was also a man whose ex-wife is Jewish who also came and asked us for help."

She added: "There was even a

policeman on the day who said to me that he didn't realise that we had this problem in the Jewish community. There were many different ethnic groups on the march and there was a real camaraderie. We're all pulled together by the same heartbreaking situation.

"Current legislation focuses on the best interests of the child, but it is not equipped to deal with problems arising from the actions of recalcitrant, controlling parents."

A fellow JUMP member and father-of-three explained that "Fathers for Justice and JUMP believe in equal parenting. At the moment in law, one parent gets residence and one gets access. That can be a problem for a Jewish family because of Shabbat.

"I see my kids on a Sunday and as an Orthodox Jew, that's not satisfactory.

"By marching, we showed other Jews that a lot more can be done to help all sorts of situations with divorced parents so that they can have a proper relationship with their children."

## War hero honoured

By LOUISE SCODIE

AN EAST END fireman who lost his life fighting a blaze during the Blitz was honoured in a memorial service on Sunday at Poplar fire station.

Hyman Feldman was 31 when he died in service along with fellow firemen George Cook and John Munda. They were attempting to put out a blaze in Limehouse when the building collapsed, killing all three instantly.

The service, conducted by Rabbi Gary Newman, was attended by Mr Hyman's 98-year-old widow, Rebecca, daughter Gloria Stern, and other family members. Local political figures and JEX representatives were in attendance.

Unveiling a plaque for her late husband's name Mrs Feldman reflected: "Just a good man. I still look at his photo every night."

Jim Barnard, 93 — responsible for training auxiliary fire-fighters during the war — praised the bravery and spirit of Jewish recruits.

Stephanie Maltman, Firemen Remembered, told the JC: "Hyman's family asked us to help organise the ceremony after his gravestone in Brenton cemetery was desecrated.

"They couldn't put the stone back together again — it was as if he'd never existed.

"Now his memory is alive again."

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