



Beth Jacob Congregation

something for everyone

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Dear Dotan and Phil,

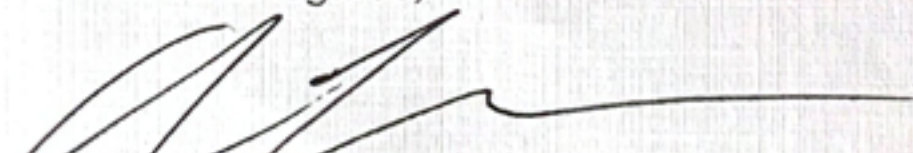
On behalf of Beth Jacob Congregation, its officers and board of trustees, it gives me great pleasure to extend our most hearty *mazel tov* on the occasion of your annual gala. Ahavas Sholom is one of the pillars of Orthodoxy in Columbus, Ohio and plays an incredibly important role in growing Columbus' Jewish community. Ahavas Sholom is a trusted communal partner and we are very proud of the warm relationship we enjoy.

Since moving to Columbus two years ago, the Yachneses have proven themselves invaluable to our community. Rabbi Yachnes is a very well respected *mechanech* in our day school and is beloved by his students. Rebbetzin Yachnes does fantastic programs, not only for the Ahavas Sholom community, but the entire community. Both Rabbi and Mrs. Yachnes have the unique ability to unite our community together and as a result have undoubtedly elevated our collective communal experience. On a personal note, Miriam and I are very proud to consider R' Moshe & Kelsey dear friends. The Yachneses are indeed very worthy recipients of the Young Leadership Award.

Inna Kinney is an inspiration to all of Columbus. Together with her parents, Lev and Lidia Kuchersky, Inna has made an impact on the growth of so many of our communal organizations. They are ardent supporters not only of Ahavas Sholom, but of CTA, Beth Jacob and so many others. In 2004, Inna founded ECDI, the Economic and Community Development Institute, a nonprofit focused on economic development. In 2021 and 2022, her company was the largest small business administration microlender in the entire United States. Since 2004, her company has distributed \$165 million dollars in small business loans, and helped create or retain over 40,000 jobs. We are lucky to have someone like Inna as a friend of the Columbus Jewish community. Inna is indeed very deserving of the *Ahavas Chesed Award*.

Mazal Tov to Ahavas Sholom on this very special occasion. Beth Jacob wishes you much success and *hatzlacha*, as your *shul* continues to play its incredibly important role in Klal Yisrael.

Warmest Regards,



Rabbi Avi Goldstein