

September 28, 2025

Rabbi Shlomo Gabay Congregation Ahavas Sholom 2568 E. Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43209

Dear Rabbi Gabay:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, our parents, students, faculty and staff, the CTA community extends our sincere Mazel Tov to you and the congregation on the special occasion of the Congregation Ahavas Sholom 112th Anniversary Gala to celebrate A Night of Song and Soul as well as recognize a deserving honoree.

Congratulations to honoree, Rabbi Benyamin Weinschneider, on this distinction and welcome to Rabbi Schraga Feibel Zimmerman, shlit"a to address the congregation during this auspicious time on the Jewish calendar. It is a tremendous honor to hear words of inspiration from someone with such a keen view of Torah law and Jewish community.

Ahavas Sholom has been fortunate these last 18 years to have Rabbi Weinschneider bring the richness of his voice to the Yom Tov davening. His melodies and tunes elevate the congregation's prayers and provide a spiritual atmosphere befitting the most important days in the Jewish year. It is especially nice to honor him during these 10 days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, a time when we strive to move closer to Hashem. Rabbi Weinschneider, along with his wife, Ahuva, are passionate members of the Columbus Jewish community and especially at Columbus Torah Academy where their children are a part of most of the grades and bring the same tremendous middot that can be found in their parents. It is a special honor to know and recognize Rabbi Weinschneider for his contributions at Ahavas Sholom, CTA, and the entire community.

It is my pleasure to continue to partner with Ahavas Sholom, Rabbi Gabay, and Shul lay leadership to ensure that a CTA Jewish day school education benefits our entire community.

Hatzlacha Raba - wishing you much success in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Avrohom Drandoff

Head of School