



Julie A. Silbermann, President

Dear Gail,

I understand that I have been dubbed Julie 1.0, which was my first term as president (2013-2017), and Julie 2.0, which is my current term (2021-?). It has been a privilege to work with you through two iterations! Like software updates, I hope I got better with the second go-around.

With your guidance during Julie 1.0, Temple B'nai Abraham flourished and accomplished a lot. We certainly encountered some difficult times together, but TBA always came out on top, and we got through it.

Julie 2.0 is a different type of president's term, and I am so very thankful to be navigating the first year of this term and these difficult waters with you. Again, your hard work and determination results in our stability, growth, and success.

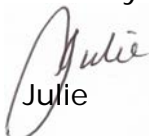
You have taught me many things about lay leadership—patience, carefully considering decisions rather than jumping to a quick response, making decisions in a timely fashion, how to work with staff, editing, and the list goes on. You were always there to offer your guidance and you were always on the mark! I cannot thank you enough for helping me grow as a Temple leader and for what you have personally done for Temple B'nai Abraham.

You came to TBA during a very difficult time and spent countless hours straightening out “your desk” and all its “ghosts.” Thank you for your dedication to the Temple, our congregation, and the Jewish community.

I know I speak for the entire congregation when I say we will miss you greatly and we wish you all the best! We hope you enjoy retirement, get lots of hugs and kisses from the grandkids, and have real time for yourself and Barry.

Thank you for what you have brought to us all. “Thank you” doesn't seem like strong enough words to say, but they truly come from my heart.

Thank you,


Julie