Tribute letter for Gail Milchman

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Dear Gail,

How deserving you are of words of praise, songs of blessing and a retirement full of joy and love.

Open door, open heart, full of wisdom, strength beyond measure, excellent manager, beloved colleague, friend, wife, daughter, mother, mother-in-law and grandmother.

Gail, it was my honor to work with you for a decade at TBA and I am excited for you to celebrate your amazing accomplishments these past twenty-five years as you step into a new chapter of life—retirement.

I was blessed to experience your incredible combination of talents: gentle yet strong, serious yet fun, wise and eager to learn all tied into your never-ending commitment to guiding the TBA family---as you masterfully fulfilled your role as Executive Director.

Sitting in your office included moments of caring, connection, advice, brainstorming and support for one another. I am grateful for the many moments we shared and know that your presence has made an indelible imprint on TBA. May the years ahead be full of health, joy, love, laughter, the blessings of your precious family and friends.

## A Blessing from the Talmud

May you live to see your world fulfilled;

May your destiny be for worlds still to come;

May you trust in generations past and yet to be;

May your heart be filled with intuition,

And your words be filled with insight;

May songs of praise be upon your tongue, your vision straight before you.

Even as you ever yearn to listen to the words of the Holy Ancient One of Old,

May you live to see your world fulfilled.

[Babylonian Talmud Brachot]

Sending love from Northern California,

Faith Joy Rabbi Faith Joy Dantowitz