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A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR BOLLWAGE

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Dear Friends:

Congratulations on this special occasion to the Jewish Educational Center (JEC) as they celebrate 77 years of academic achievements and service throughout the community. Providing an outstanding foundation for success, the JEC implements a challenging curriculum that facilitates as well as enhances personal and professional growth.

Tonight Herman and Rosa Engel are being honored as *Grandparents of the Year*. Upholding scholastic traditions, their two sons and three grandchildren are graduates of the school. With two more of their grandchildren enrolled as current students, they remain active participants, committed to broadening horizons and providing assistance where needed. Herman and Rosa continue to lead by example and support the promotion of excellence in education.

Recognized as *Parents of the Year* are Jonathan and Yael Pittinsky, who have demonstrated their commitment to providing a strong, academic base for their children. Appreciating and acknowledging the value of quality instruction in preparing students to become future leaders, they have continued the JEC tradition with their own children. In addition to their youngest child, three are JEC graduates, one is a current JEC student and one is an incoming ninth grader.

Continuing to make a difference in the lives of others is Bryan Fox, who is the recipient of the *Community Service Award*. Increasing opportunities and improving the quality of life for all, his efforts and community contributions have had a positive impact and are recognized through this distinction.

Tonight, as we acknowledge our honorees, we celebrate the Jewish Educational Center for its history and dedication to the children of the City of Elizabeth. With more than eight hundred fifty students enrolled through the twelfth grade, the Jewish Educational Center remains committed to education in both secular and religious studies.

Best wishes and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Christian Bollwage", is written over a large, stylized, light-colored graphic element that resembles a signature or a large letter 'J'.

J. Christian Bollwage
Mayor