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September 15, 2024

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 111th Anniversary Gala to celebrate An Evening of Appreciation, Community and Inspiration as well as recognize deserving honorees.

Congratulations to honorees, Sheila Cutler and Rabbi Dr. Mendy and Simha Wolf on this distinction and a special welcome to Rabbi Shlomo and Rachel Gabay as they take the spiritual leadership of the congregation and join in the growth of the greater Columbus Jewish community.

Sheila Cutler's resume reads like a who's who of leadership in the Jewish and greater communities where she lives or has interests and passions. Sheila is a graduate of the CTA 8th grade class of 1967 which shows her long commitment to Jewish education thanks to the leadership and foresight of her parents Frank and Boots Nutis. Together with her husband, Michael, they raised four children, Andi, Cyndi, Matthew, and Philip whose Jewish education provided the foundation for Jewish life, learning, community, and a strong connection to Israel which extends to their grandchildren. Their son Matthew is a graduate of the CTA High School class of 2005. Sheila has shown that when she cares about something, she cares deeply and rolls up her sleeves to help out, express enthusiasm, and generously invests in the organizations that support her values. Columbus Torah Academy is grateful for her leadership year after year.

Rabbi Dr. Mendy and Simha Wolf came onto the scene in Columbus just a few years ago and have made a swift impact with their energy, authenticity, and community mindedness. Involved in many different organizations and agencies and taking a strong leadership role in planning shul programs and kiddushes, Simha has chaired the CTA Scholarship Dinner and serves on several committees that highlight her panache for programming and Mendy's role on the shul board, security committee, and volunteering for events and programs is matched by their commitment together to partner with CTA to ensure that Jewish education is strong and inviting for both their children and the community's children. They bring excitement to the shul and 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Drandoff".

Rabbi Avrohom Drandoff  
Head of School