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Dear Members:

The year which is drawing to a close has been an eventful one for our community. The Shul, Baruch Hashem, is strong and vibrant. The youth department has had a tremendous year, our senior division is more active than ever and the Sisterhood has been established. Many on-line shiurim are available for all to enjoy and we hope, before the summer ends, to see the men's club get off the ground. The new landscaping outside the front entrance has beautified the Shul and should be putting down deep roots by Rosh Hashana.

Our programming has expanded and our expenses have been rising. Fuel costs, administrative expenses, insurance premiums and salaries are all increasing. Nevertheless, the Shul Board has decided not to raise dues or the price of seats this year. Our membership is generous, dedicated, and growing. With the help of Hashem and your continued support we will be able to provide even more services without raising the fees. If your customary donation is Chai (\$18.00), please consider giving \$25.00. If \$25.00 is your norm, think about giving twice Chai. If you can afford to pledge larger sums, try to give more.

The dues and High Holiday seat charges do not cover the cost of running our institution. In order to maintain these charges at the current level we depend on your voluntary contributions.

Please fill out the enclosed membership form and return it to the office as soon as possible, but no later than August 17th. Your early response will help the seating committee.

We pray for a year of health, happiness and prosperity for our members and friends. Let the coming year be one of peace for our brothers and sisters in Israel and throughout the world.

Enjoy the rest of the summer; best wishes for a Ksivah Vachasima Tova.

Sincerely,

David A. Cheslow
Board Chairman

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