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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am writing to share with you the steps being taken to complete the search for the next rabbi of Keneseth Israel, who will assume responsibilities by July 1, 2020.

Consistent with its responsibilities, the Board has appointed a Rabbinic Search Committee to conduct a comprehensive, national, and international search for a new rabbi. I am chairing this committee, which comprises: Sharon Czerkiewicz, Jill Ginsburg, Mindy Golde, Myra Goldman, Max Green, Harry Morris, Aaron Pedowitz, Lewis Rowe, Margaret Shuster, Desie Weinstein, and Sheldon Yoffe. The Conservative Movement's Rabbinical Assembly Career Center and the Joint Placement Commission (JPC) have been engaged to assist us with the search.

While the primary responsibility for managing the process of nominating the next rabbi lies with the Rabbinic Search Committee, the Board of Directors is committed to making this an inclusive process and will provide opportunities for community input. In the near future, you can expect to receive a constituent survey that will be circulated seeking your thoughts about our next KI rabbi. In the meantime, if you have suggestions or questions, I encourage you to reach out to me at sweinberg@lynchcox.com.

As the Search Committee begins to build the pool of candidates by listing the position through the JPC, the Committee will meet to review the credentials of the top candidates. Our goal is to complete the search process and announce the appointment of a new rabbi over the summer of 2020.

The Rabbinic Search Committee and Board of Directors are grateful for your support and will offer periodic updates on the search as the process moves forward.

Sincerely,

Scott Weinberg
Chair, KI Rabbinic Search Committee

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