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Dear Friends:

Please accept my warmest greetings as you gather for the Jewish National Fund's annual Tree of Life Award Dinner. I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize the fine work of your organization and today's honorees, Susan Polgar, Jana Robbins, and Teri Weiss.

The Jewish National Fund planted over 220 million trees, built over 150 dams and reservoirs, and developed over 250 thousand acres of land. JNF has shown itself to be the caretaker of the land of Israel, and today's success gives proof to the dedication and commitment present in JNF's members, volunteers, and supporters.

Further, I would like to extend my congratulations to tonight's honorees: Susan Polgar, four-time World Chess Champion and 5-time Olympic Champion; Jana Robbins, Broadway actress and producer; and Teri Weiss, Vice-President of Nickelodeon. On behalf of all New Yorkers, I am honored to join in this show of support of three individuals who have excelled in the industries of which New York is so famous for. The outstanding professional achievements, leadership and compassion exhibited by Susan, Jana, and Teri merit the recognition they gain here today.

Thank you for your hard work and dedication on behalf of all New Yorkers. I know that the Jewish National Fund will continue to serve the community of New York and Israelis everywhere for many years to come.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator

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