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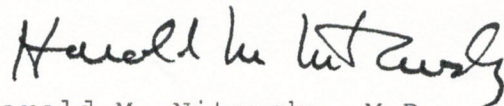
Chevra Dor Yeshorium
160 Wilson Street - 1B
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Dear Sirs:

I wish to express my enthusiastic support for the program of Chevra Dor Yeshorium which affords a unique and effective approach to dealing with Tay Sachs and other lethal or seriously incapacitating genetic disorders among the Ashkenazi Jewish Community. The implementation of a carrier detection program, with appropriate concern about confidentiality of the information obtained and respect for the sensitivities of the persons involved is a major feature of the program. Use of this information to discourage or prevent a shiduch between two carrier individuals is an effective and acceptable approach for the prevention of tragedies that would otherwise affect families in our community.

Having worked closely with Rabbi Joseph Eckstein and his colleagues for the past year, I can appreciate first hand the personal committment and care with which they have guided the program of Chevra Dor Yeshorium. Indeed, it has achieved national and international acclaim. I urge all who can to support this program so that it can continue to serve our Jewish Community.

Sincerely yours,



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