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Dear Sirs,

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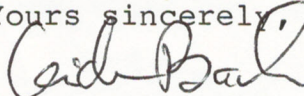
I wish to express my appreciation for the significant accomplishment of Dor Yeshorim. Being an active participant of this operation in Israel I have been able to follow the progress and development of Dor Yeshorim's activities during recent years. There is no doubt that this service has dramatically reduced the possibility of children being born with Tay Sachs in the Jewish Community.

Tay Sachs is a genetic disorder leading to a rapid deterioration of the brain resulting in death within a few years of birth. Though there is no cure at present modern medicine has developed accurate testing methods to identify carriers of this gene. The problem begins only when two carriers marry and raise a family. Individuals carriers by themselves are totally healthy. Children born of these unions however will be at high risk to be born with this disease.

Dor Yeshorim has utilized these testing techniques within a proven system which taken into account both the religious and emotional sensitivities of the individuals tested. This system brings the carrier status of a perspective couple to light enabling them to be notified that his union would most likely produce children with this incurable disease.

I am very much impressed with the success of Dor Yeshorim. There is an increasing awareness of the importance of these tests of the religious Jewish Community in Israel and request for these tests have steadily increased in recent years.

I congratulate you for these results and hope for your continued success in the prevention of these tragedies in our future generations.

Yours sincerely,


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