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Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to extend warm greetings to all gathered at the National Rabbinic Centennial Medallion Award Dinner of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

For a century, the Orthodox Union has earned praise for its dedication to the Jewish community and for its outreach efforts. As the umbrella organization and national spokesman for more than a thousand Orthodox synagogues, it has helped to improve the lives of countless individuals across the nation and across the globe. It has rightfully gained international recognition for its compassion and commitment to those in need. I commend the Orthodox Union and all of its members for their long history of service and benevolence.

I proudly salute your esteemed honorees, among whom are some of the most prominent Rabbis of our generation and congratulate them on receiving your Centennial Medallion. They are all distinguished individuals who have dedicated their time and efforts to the strengthening the American-Israeli relationship. These outstanding members of our community truly merit the tribute you pay them.

I wish all of you a pleasant evening and may the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America continue its crucial work for many years to come.

Very truly yours,

My E. Pataki