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IMPORTANT

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Dear Colleague:

I am writing to you on an urgent matter of concern to all of us who have afternoon Hebrew schools or children who attend such schools.

The School Board elections in our district will take place on May 28th. I assume that you agree with me that we have two major interests in these elections: the civic and the Jewish. We want members who will work for the improvement of our local public schools, the most effective way of bettering the entire complexion of our mixed neighborhood. We also need people who will represent our Jewish concerns. By this latter term I refer to the following issues: seeing to it that no classes or special events are scheduled on Saturdays, Holidays, or Fridays after 4 P.M.; and that no double sessions be scheduled so that classes go on after 3:15 P.M., thus jeopardizing our Hebrew schools.

To this end, a group of public-minded members of our community have nominated three candidates, all highly qualified both as public-minded citizens and as committed Jews. They are: Dr. Morris Epstein, Mrs. Ahuvah Genack, and Mr. Aaron Weitz.

I urge you most strongly to discuss the matter from the pulpit or announce the names of the candidates and the issues. Many of our colleagues are forming telephone squads to promote their election.

Furthermore, I most urgently request of you to mimeograph or xerox the enclosed letter and have it mailed to your entire congregation.

I hope we will together be able to contribute to the betterment of our community in general and the protection of our Jewish interests in particular.

Cordially yours,


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