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Dear Rabbi Lamm

I know you must be flooded with congratulatory notes and calls - but please permit me to add mine.

I have been an admirer of yours for many years, appreciating your sound scholarship, your clarity of thought and your ability to articulate your ideas in a most interesting way without resorting to rhetorical and literary gimmickery.

I have found myself in agreement with many of your stands as you spoke convincingly and with dignity for the orthodox position.

While I have no personal ties with 'Yeshivah', I recognize its paramount role in Jewish life and I am overjoyed that those entrusted with making such a momentous decision opted for you.

It may be that deep down I am thrilled that a former "1831 1715 boy" made it to the very top. But what is most important is the fact that such a vital decision was made on the basis of merit.

Given your stature and ability