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MORTON L. MANDEL

4500 EUCLID AVENUE

CLEVELAND, OHIO 44103

June 23, 1988

Dear Ludwig:

When I phoned you, I learned that you would not be back in the United States until today. Since I will be leaving for Israel shortly, I thought I would save time by writing to you.

I would like to invite you to join me in a new initiative. The Mandel Associated Foundations is in the process of organizing a Commission on Jewish Education in North America. The Commission will function in cooperation with the JWB and JESNA and in collaboration with the CJF.

The purpose of this Commission is to bring together the best lay and professional minds we can assemble to make a positive impact on the quality of Jewish education in the United States and Canada. The enclosed Design Document should help to clarify the thinking behind the establishment of the Commission.

We believe that Jewish education needs a great deal of improvement if it is to make its appropriate contribution to the constructive continuity of the Jewish people. We believe that our Commission has a good chance to bring about important results, because American Jewish leadership is now sufficiently concerned to make this a high priority, and because there are important new financial resources available for Jewish education if we show how these resources can be utilized to good effect.

I hope that you will serve as a member of this Commission. The Commission will meet four to six times over a period of eighteen months to two years. It will have the benefit of a professional staff and consultants who will do the research directed by the Commission, and staff the Commission and its subgroups. The first meeting of the Commission is scheduled to be held between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 1 at the JWB offices in New York City. In the event that you are interested, please hold that date. Thus far everyone asked has agreed to serve including Mona Ackerman, Mandell Berman, Jack Bieler, Charles Bronfman, John Colman, Lester Crown, David Dubin, Stuart Eizenstat, Joshua Elkin, Eli Evans, Max Fisher, Alfred Gottschalk, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, Robert Hiller, Carol Ingall, Mark Lainer, Norman Lamm, Sara Lee, Seymour Martin Lipset, Robert Loup, Matthew Maryles, Florence Melton, Donald Mintz, Lester Pollack, Charles Ratner, Harriet Rosenthal, Esther Leah Ritz, Alvin Schiff, Ismar Schorsh, Daniel Shapiro, Yitzak Twersky, and Bennett Yanowitz.

I know that you can be an important addition to the work of the Commission and I hope that you will wish to participate. I will be in touch with you following my return from Israel.

Sincerely,

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MORTON L. MANDEL

Mr. Ludwig Jesselson Chairman Philipps Brothers 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020

Enclosure

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L. JESSELSON

October 20, 1988

Mr. Arthur J. Naparstek Commission Director Mandel Associated Foundations 1750 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mr. Naparstek:

Many thanks for sending me Alvin Schiff's book on Contemporary Jewish Education.

Kindest regards.

Since

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November 7, 1988

Mr. Morton L.Mandel, Chairman Mandel Associated Foundations 1750 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Mort:

In reply to your letter of November 4th, I shall be glad to attend the next meeting, provided I shall be in New York, which is not quite sure.

I shall be glad to talk to one of your staff before the next meeting. I prefer to do it personally rather than on the telephone.

Sincerely yours,

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We are pleased to announce the relocation of our offices to: 1301 Avenue of the Americas Suite 4101 New York, New York 10019

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