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Brooklyn, New York

Rabbi Yolles' Rabbinical Jubilee Committee
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sholom uBrocho:

In acknowledging your invitation to participate in the Jubilee Banquet in honor of Rabbi Ephraim E. Yolles, I wish to take this means of joining the many deserving tributes that will be tendered to your eminent Spiritual Leader and Dean of the Philadelphia Orthodox Rabbinate upon his completion of fifty years of Rabbinic authority.

It is gratifying indeed to see that your community appreciates a leadership in the authentic spirit of the Torah and Tradition. This surely justifies the hope that this happy event will serve as an occasion for rededication also on the part of the lay leadership and membership at large, to go from strength to strength in the advancement of all aspects of the religious life and institutions of the community. In this way you will enable your esteemed Rav to utilize to the full the capacities which Divine Providence has liberally bestowed upon him, in addition to, and eminently befitting his rank as a Cohen, a status traditionally associated with dedicated service and Torah teaching.

May your concerted efforts stimulate the spiritual growth of your community, so that it will indeed fully justify the time-honored title of a Jewish community - Kchila Kaddisha - a holy community, permeated with the holiness of the Torah and Mitzvot in the every-day life of all its members, down to the minutest detail, in accordance with the precepts "Know Him in all your ways."

I send my prayerful wishes to Rabbi Yolles and all participants in this Simcha for Hatzlocho in your communal endeavors, materially and spiritually.

With esteem and blessing