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By the Grace of G-d
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To all Participants in the "Sefer Torah"
Presented in behalf of the Jewish Com-
munity of Buffalo, N. Y.

G-d Bless You

Greeting and Blessing:

I am pleased to acknowledge the Sefer Torah which came with your good wishes on the occasion of my birthday.

I assume that the good wishes and warm gesture are intended not for me alone, but are in recognition of the work of Lubavitch in spreading the Torah and Mitzvoth among our fellow Jews both near and far. The gift of the Sefer Torah, which has been placed in the Holy Ark of our central Shul, is therefore especially meaningful. All the more so since Chasidus in general, and Chabad in particular, emphasizes the three loves which are the Jew's guiding light in his daily life: Ahavas haShem, and Ahavas Yisroel, with Ahavas haTorah as the intermediary and unifying factor.

I am confident that this unique expression of your sentiments is also a clear indication of your awareness that the Torah is the actual guiding principle in the life of your community as a whole, and of all the members of your community in particular. And not merely a guiding principle, but - true to the nature of Torah, Torah Or - that it clearly illuminates all aspects of the daily life, in accordance with the precept: "Know Him in all your ways."

We have the assurance that the Torah is a source of blessing for the individual and the community. May G-d grant that each and all of you should indeed see the fulfillment of the promise, "It (the Torah) is a tree of life for all that take hold of it, and all its supporters are happy," materially and spiritually.

With esteem and
blessing,

M. Schneerson