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Dear TAY Family:

We hope this letter finds you well. The purpose of this letter is provide you with an update on the Rabbinical Search and to invite you to meet the two candidates who will be visiting us, beginning on **Thursday, January 24, 2019**.

Our application with the Rabbinical Assembly was filed in early November 2018. As a member of United Synagogue, our search is limited, for now, to those candidates who are members of the Rabbinical Assembly. Given the size of our membership, we are classified as a "B" size congregation which allows us to interview candidates who are least two years post-graduation.

To date, five resumes have been received. The Search Committee considered the strength of each applicant at length. Of the five resumes, the Search Committee elected to move forward with three candidates, each of whom was initially interviewed during an approximate one hour Skype discussion. Of the three candidates, the Search Committee moved forward with two applicants, each of whom was again interviewed via Skype for approximately ninety-minutes. The second round interviews were conducted on January 6 and January 13, 2019.

After careful consideration and lengthy discussion, the Search Committee has invited Rabbi Earl Kideckel and Rabbi Scott Hoffman to visit our community.

Rabbi Kideckel will be arriving on January 24, 2019.

The following are the dates and times for you to meet Rabbi Kideckel:

January 24, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. – Rabbi Kideckel will lead a learning session in the Goldberg Sanctuary for approximately 30-45 minutes which will be followed by a dessert reception;

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January 25, 2019 at 7:15 a.m. - morning services;

January 25, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. – Minha and Kabbalat Shabbat services followed by the congregational dinner. If you plan on joining us for dinner, please click here immediately to make your reservations; and

January 26, 2019 at 9:15 a.m. – Shabbat morning services where Rabbi Kideckel will help lead services and speak. Please join us for extended kiddush lunch following services.

Rabbi Hoffman will be arriving on February 7, 2019.

The following are the dates and times for you to meet Rabbi Hoffman:

February 7, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. - Rabbi Hoffman will lead a learning session in the Goldberg Sanctuary for approximately 30-45 minutes which will be followed by a dessert reception;

February 8, 2019 at 7:15 a.m. - morning services;

February 8, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. - Minha and Kabbalat Shabbat services (Rabbi Hoffman will be having Shabbat dinner with select religious school families which was previously planned).

February 9, 2019 at 9:15 a.m. – Shabbat morning services where Rabbi Hoffman will help lead services and speak. Please join us for extended kiddush lunch following services.

In addition to these opportunities, both candidates will be meeting with the Board of Directors, Search Committee and the Religious School community. At the conclusion of each weekend, you will be provided with an electronic survey to complete with your thoughts and comments on each candidate.

We cannot over-emphasize the importance of EVERYONE'S participation in this process. The decision as to who our next Rabbi will be cannot be made by only the Search Committee and Board of Directors. We are a large community, with different perspectives and views. Everyone's voice in this process must be heard.

Our congregation has a bright future and we will continue building on our successes.

B'Shalom

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