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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2019/2020

June 11, 2019

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your ongoing affiliation with the House of Jacob-Mikveh Israel. As you know, House of Jacob has been providing religious services and inspirational programs to the Calgary Jewish community for over one hundred and ten years.

We have enjoyed a consistently high number of members, friends, and guests attending religious services, educational programs, as well as holiday and social programs at the shul under Rabbi Miller's leadership. Rabbi Miller has chosen to retire from his position and we thank him and Mrs. Miller for the ten years they dedicated to HOJMI and Calgary.

We are excited to welcome Rabbi Binyomin Halpern as our new spiritual leader beginning September 1st. Rabbi Halpern along with his wife Malka, have already shown us their flair for interesting and fun programs and classes. We look forward to many new and exciting events in the coming months.

This year, we were able to provide inspirational, social, and educational programs ranging from the Father's Day Soccer Game, Gemara Shiurim, Pirkei Avot Shiurim, and Motzei Shabbat social evenings to the Stampede Breakfast and so much more. We make these programs **free of charge** so that everyone in the community can attend.

The largest single revenue item on HOJMI's financial statements has always been membership dues, which is why the annual dues renewal process is so important.

Last year we did not increase the membership dues and dues will remain the same for 2019/20. Furthermore, we want to stress that despite our financial pressures we will never turn away anyone needing financial assistance. All members who request a subsidy, however, must arrange it annually, no exceptions. Please contact either David Rose or Ben Be'eri to discuss any subsidy request.

The "**Fair Share**" contribution program continues this year. We ask that all members consider a "**Fair Share**" contribution over and above their membership dues. A "**Fair Share**" contribution is strictly voluntary and will be gratefully accepted in whatever amount that you can afford, and which feels right. In these difficult economic times, please consider increasing your contribution to help defray some of the financial burden from our members who are without work.

We want to thank our long-standing members and welcome our new members. Your membership will ensure that House of Jacob will continue to be a warm, welcoming shul for many years to come.

The following information summarizes Board policies which affect membership and High Holiday seating. Please read them carefully:

1. High Holiday seats will be assigned only after receipt the form and financial arrangements for payment of dues, as set out here or in accordance with agreed subsidy arrangements.
2. A family membership includes two adult High Holiday seats and a maximum of two assigned High Holiday children's seats. Additional children's seats can be purchased for an additional fee. Children's seats are available only for the member's dependent children and specific seats are assigned by the Seating Committee, space permitting. A dependent child is defined as follows:
 - a. Children under 18 years of age.
 - b. Children 18-25 years of age but attending an institution of higher learning **full-time**. This person must be present in Calgary for the High Holidays.
 - c. Dependent adult children of any age who presently do not have a wage-earning capacity.

Children of members who are over the age of 18, of normal capacity and earning an independent income are invited to join the synagogue as single adults to secure High Holiday seats.

3. Assigned seats are **not transferable** to other individuals.

Membership Categories:

Family Membership

- Membership for a conventional family unit, includes 2 adult seats and up to 2 children's seats (space permitting)
- \$2,200 membership dues

Single Parent Family Membership

- Membership for a single parent family, includes 1 adult seat and up to 2 children's seats (space permitting)
- \$1,100 membership dues

Single Adult Membership

- Membership for a single adult includes 1 adult seat
- \$1,100 membership dues

Student Membership

- Membership for an adult attending an institution of higher learning, **full-time**, includes 1 adult seat
- \$250 membership dues

Newly Married Couples

- Membership is free for the first year of marriage

Out of town guests (High Holidays)

- \$250 per seat (space permitting)

Additional Children's Seats

- \$75 per child's seat (under age 18)

Payment Options:

There are a number of options for payment of membership dues but must be paid over a maximum of 12 months and within our fiscal year (last payment no later than Aug. 15/2020).

Cheques:

Post-dated cheques are accepted but must be submitted with your completed renewal forms.

Visa / MasterCard:

Visa or MasterCard accepted (either in one payment or via installments). Please sign the attached authorization form to use this option.

Synagogue membership fees are considered charitable tax deductions.

All membership applications are subject to approval by the Rabbi.

To avoid delay in allocating seats, please complete and submit the enclosed forms along with payment **by July 2, 2019**. If you submit your application after the **July 2 deadline**, the Seating Committee cannot guarantee that you will retain the same seats that you had last year.

Sincerely,

HOJMI Board of Directors

DEADLINE JULY 2, 2019

**CONGREGATION HOUSE OF JACOB MIKVEH-ISRAEL
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP 2019/2020 (5780)**

Family Name		
Mailing Address		
Telephone (home)		
Telephone (cell)		
Telephone (work)		
E-Mail Address		

Please Check Membership Type: Family Single Student

Adults:

Surname	First name	M/F	Hebrew Name (include father and mother's name)	Attendance	
				Yes/No	
				RH	YK

Children under age 18 that NEED seats for the High Holidays:

Surname	First Name	M/F	Date of Birth	Attendance	
				Yes/No	
				RH	YK

Children 18-25 years who are Full-Time Students that NEED seats for the High Holidays:

Surname	First name	M/F	Name of Post-Secondary School	Attendance	
				Yes/No	
				RH	YK

Additional Children and Out of Town Guests who NEED seats for the High Holidays:

Surname	First name	M/F	Attendance	
			Yes/No	
			RH	YK

For Office Use Only:

Rabbi's Endorsement _____ (All membership applications are subject to approval by the Rabbi)

Secretary's confirmation of full payment arrangements _____

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Membership Dues Payable

Please place a checkmark on the left, next to each appropriate fee:

Checkmark	Membership Type	Membership Dues	Amount Paying
	Family	\$2,200	\$
	Single	\$1,100	\$
	Student	\$ 250	\$
	Additional Child's Seat @ \$75 each	\$ 75	\$
	Friend of HOJMI (Family)	\$2,200	\$
	Friend of HOJMI(Single)	\$1,100	\$
	Out of Town Guests @ \$360 each	\$ 250	\$
	"Fair Share" Voluntary Contribution	\$ ANY	\$
	Total Dues Payable		\$ _____

	Amount Enclosed (in full)
	Amount Enclosed (post-dated) \$ _____ X _____ cheques
	I wish to pay by Visa/MC (please fill in details below)

Visa / MasterCard Authorization:

Please debit my Visa / MasterCard in the amount of \$ _____ being **full payment** for the above membership obligations.

Or

Please debit my Visa / MasterCard **monthly** for the monthly amount of \$ _____ beginning deductions on the 1st/15th (day) of _____ (month) 2018, in equal payments for my membership obligations.

Visa / MasterCard Number:

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Expiry Date:

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CVV Code:

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Signature: _____

Yahrzeit Advice:

If you have not already done so, please fill in the yahrtzeit dates related to your family. We send out yahrtzeit reminders on a monthly basis.

Last name	First name	Hebrew name	Relationship	Date of Death (& day/night)	Jewish Date of Death

Minyan Commitment:

HOJMI is more than a shul, it is a community. Our shul community is here for one another.

When one of our members needs to say Kaddish, our community must come together to make a Minyan every morning and night!

However, praying with a Minyan is more than just for those saying Kaddish - it is for each and every one of us. It is a way to connect with Hashem and a way to make our prayers heard.

Please commit to at least one morning or night of Minyan attendance. Please let us know if you require a reminder.

Day of week	Morning/Evening	Reminder (Y/N)