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Yeshiva University  
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From the desk of  
**Rabbi Dr. Ari Berman**

My Dear Friends,

We are living in historic times.

The war in Israel has exposed the moral vacuity of educational institutions throughout the country and opened Jewish hearts to deepen their engagement with their identity and tradition. As a result, interest in Yeshiva University continues to rise. Already last year, our undergraduate schools were at maximum capacity, and we had the largest waitlist in our history. Today, we see an over 15% increase in applications for our honors programs and for our general admissions.

This bodes well for the Jewish future. Our students are the Jewish leaders of tomorrow.

At Yeshiva University, they are educated with our core Torah values, enriched with a top-tier academic education and nourished by a rich campus life that celebrates Israel and our Jewish tradition. Our education prepares them for a life of enormous impact and influence. In cubicles and corner offices, basketball courts and courts of law, classrooms and boardrooms, our alumni are ambassadors of our values and leaders of our communities.

There is simply no other educational institution in the world like Yeshiva University that combines a world-class yeshiva with a world-class academic education. Supporting YU has always been important; today, it is essential.

In order for us to meet the growing demand for YU from our community and the Jewish people, we need your support. Please consider a gift today that honors your past and invests in our shared future.

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With all that is swirling around us today, we should also recognize that hearts are open to our Torah values today like no other time in recent history. In 1956, on the occasion of Israel's Independence Day, our revered teacher Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik of blessed memory captured the pivotal moment of those days with the image in Shir ha-Shirim of the voice of our beloved, knocking on our door. At this moment, we once again hear that divine invitation beckoning us to respond to the call of history.

I am deeply thankful for your partnership in growing Yeshiva University and moving history forward.

Together we stand. Together we will rise. Together we will build a better world for all.

My warmest regards,



Rabbi Dr. Ari Berman  
President, Yeshiva University



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