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## State of Israel and City of Beverly Hills Announce Partnership

Beverly Hills, CA – The Beverly Hills City Council and the State of Israel have announced a partnership that will focus on cooperative projects involving water conservation, technology, public health, disaster preparedness, security, terrorism and art and culture. Beverly Hills Mayor Julian Gold M.D. and Consul General David Siegel have begun preliminary discussions; and a detailed agreement, including a list of specific projects, will be presented to the Beverly Hills City Council in June.

"This new partnership will bring tremendous benefits to Beverly Hills," said Mayor Julian Gold. "Israel is a global leader in many areas that are of great concern and interest in our community. I look forward to learning from their experience and of finding ways we can get to know and help our friends in Israel."

"I welcome this partnership with great enthusiasm," said Israel's Consul General David Siegel. "The combined strengths of Israel and Beverly Hills will be highly impactful as we work together to address our shared challenges. In particular, we are eager to share our solutions for water conservation and assist the City during this severe drought."

"I am thrilled that we will be sharing knowledge and expertise on these all important issues," said Vice Mayor John Mirisch. "In addition, Israel is a home away from home for Jews everywhere in the world and we are honored have an opportunity to establish closer ties to our spiritual homeland."