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***Beverly Hills, Israel Form Partnership  
Formal Signing Event Will Take Place Nov. 10***

Beverly Hills, CA – The Beverly Hills City Council has adopted a joint declaration establishing a formal partnership between the City of Beverly Hills and the State of Israel. The partnership, adopted at the Sept. 1 meeting, will include an exchange of ideas and resources in the areas of water conservation and management, technology and cyber security, public health, emergency services, disaster preparedness, public safety, counter terrorism and art and culture.

A formal ceremony to sign the declaration will take place on Nov. 10, 2015 at the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts during the Duet Gala, featuring Maestro Zubin Mehta conducting the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

“This partnership will allow us to further strengthen our commitment to Israel,” said Mayor Julian Gold. “Beverly Hills will greatly benefit from Israel’s leadership in many areas that are of great concern and interest to our community.”

“We look forward to working with the City of Beverly Hills to share best practices, ideas and solutions aimed at increasing water conservation and innovation as we face California’s drought as well as Israel’s water challenges,” said David Siegel, Consul General of Israel.”



Through this partnership, the City of Beverly Hills and the State of Israel will hold discussions and information exchanges and promote initiatives related to agreed-upon areas of mutual interest. The Joint Declaration promotes cooperation, understanding and friendship by encouraging task forces, trade delegations and professional exchanges. The Joint Declaration also encourages the collaboration between educational and cultural institutions, and encourages the strengthening of the Beverly Hills - Herzliya sister city program.

Previous cooperative exchanges with Israel include the renaming of a street in Beverly Hills near Temple Emanuel to Herzl Way in honor of the revered Zionist Theodor Herzl; participation of children from Herzliya in the City's Centennial art contest; and the free lecture series Beverly Hills Forum, including authors from Israel.

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