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**Supporters of the Ethiopian National Project**

Dear Friends,

Subject: **Educational Initiative with the Ethiopian National Project**

The Ministry of Education considers the Ethiopian National Project (ENP) an important partner, and commends it on its work to ensure more children succeed in matriculation exams so they are able to reach higher education in Israel. The Ministry is impressed with ENP and its ability to meet the supplemental educational needs of Ethiopian-Israeli schoolchildren.

It is for this reason the Ministry has agreed to embark on a joint venture to expand ENP's SPACE Scholastic Assistance Program to address the needs of nearly 12,000 Ethiopian-Israeli children nationwide.

This expanded cooperative endeavor between the Ministry of Education and ENP will empower Ethiopian-Israeli students and the community, while pooling budgetary resources and professionals. It will ensure the most effective outreach to the entire educational system in Israel, while guaranteeing the full and active involvement of the Ethiopian- Israeli community – both key factors that will best ensure success.

The Ministry of Education is committed to providing fiscal and programmatic support towards the ten-year initiative with ENP, so as to implement its comprehensive SPACE program with Ethiopian-Israeli 3<sup>rd</sup>-through-12<sup>th</sup> graders throughout Israel. The Ministry fully endorses the strategic plan sculpted with the Prime Minister's Office, in partnership with the Ministries of Immigration and Finance.

The Ethiopian National Project's work has a clear impact on its participants as it continuously demonstrates positive results. We look forward to continued and expanded success in this critical shared effort, in partnership with global Jewry and the Ethiopian-Israeli community.

**Respectfully yours,**

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