

Jewish Contributions Celebrated on Capitol Hill

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L-R: Mr. Greg Rosenbaum, Mr. Ezra Friedlander, U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR). (Sitting, L-R): Mr. Joseph B. Stamm, Mr. Aaron Cohen.



L-R: Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein; Mr. Greg Rosenbaum; Mr. Joseph B. Stamm (partially obscured); Mr. Ezra Friedlander; Senator Brian Schatz (D-HI) presenting to Mr. Mendy Kiwak; Mr. Aaron Cohen.

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The Kennedy Caucus Room in the Russell Senate Office Building was packed with more than 200 legislators, Jewish leaders and their supporters who participated in a bi-partisan celebration of American Jewish Heritage Month to recognize the many contributions of the Jewish people to the United States.

President Donald Trump declared May as Jewish American Heritage Month, following the practice of several recent administrations. The month-long series of events has been held annually since 2006, with special exhibits and talks at museums and other cultural institutions highlighting the contributions of Jews to American culture, including the arts, science, medicine, sports, business, government, and military service.

The annual celebration first began in 1980 as a week dedicated to American Jewry, and in 2006, President George W. Bush proclaimed May as Jewish American Heritage Month, an initiative led by Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz and the late Senator Arlen Specter. Each subsequent president has con-



L-R: Rabbi Levi Shemtov, Rabbi Sheftel Neuberger, Mr. Abe Eisner, Mr. Stanley Treitel, Senator James Lankford (R-OK), Rabbi Hillel Zaltzman, Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein, Mr. Greg Rosenbaum, Mr. Ezra Friedlander, Senator Steve Daines (R-MT) speaking, Mr. Aaron Cohen.

tinued this tradition.

“Having the United States Congress celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month is a testament to the uniqueness and greatness of the United States

of America, which has allowed Jewish Americans to stay true to their faith and to be participants and contributors in all aspects of American life,” said Mr. Ezra Friedlander, CEO of The Friedlander

Group, coordinator of the annual event.

Mr. Greg Rosenbaum exceed the congressional program that featured an incredible line up of Members of Congress including: Sen. Ben Cardin,



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