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Mr. Louis Markovitz, Johnstown
Dr. David Ekker, Sharon
Mr. James Meyers, New Castle, Pa

Rabbi Benjamin Rosayn, Bradford
Mr. M. S. Barasch, Uniontown
Mr. Jack Millstein, Greensburg,

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Mr. J. Quint Salmon
1005 Eighth Avenue
Beaver Falls, Pa.

Dear Mr. Salmon:

As a member of the National Combined Campaign Cabinet, I have been asked to serve the Union of American Hebrew Congregation and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Pittsburgh and Tri-State Area, by offering my services to Reform congregations in order to help stimulate their members to support the Combined Campaign.

I accepted the responsibility because I owe a debt of gratitude to the Union and the College-Institute for their part in making American the most secure place for me to live.

Today, more than ever before, all Jews have a pressing responsibility for their lives and their beliefs. It's a grave responsibility to be a Jew. We cannot escape from it, even if we chose to ignore it ethically or religiously.

I deem it a reflection on our religious beliefs that our parent bodies, the Union and the College-Institute, on which your Temple stands, have to go begging for adequate sustenance in order to survive.

It is about time every Reform Jew became conscious of his responsibility in order that these two institutions be relieved of financial strain and be enabled to continue their splendid work for our children so they, too, may face the future proud and unafraid.

That is why the cause is worthy of your support.

If your Temple has reached their quota accept my congratulations on your splendid achievement. If not, there is still time to put on a vigorous campaign. Personal contacts will erase your deficit.

Should you wish it, I will be glad to visit your city and talk to your Rabbi and officers.

Sincerely,

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