

Joseph D. Herzog, Rabbi

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Attorney Bernard Goldstone, President
Temple Beth Israel
840 Highland Road
Sharon, Pennsylvania
Dear Mr. President:

With a great deal of regret and much mixed emotion, I beg to inform you that, as of the end of my current contract period, July 30, 1966, I am resigning as Rabbi of Temple Beth Israel.

I have been offered the position of Rabbi of Temple Ahavath Sholom of Brooklyn, the largest reform synagogue in that Borough. The challenge and opportunity of the position are exciting and promising; and I have accordingly accepted the offer, subject to the formal approval of that congregation this month.

Until I leave for Brooklyn, I shall, of course, continue to serve Temple Beth Israel in every way and to the limit of my ability. I pledge to you every cooperation and effort in helping you secure a successor to me through the Rabbinical Placement Commission.

I am deeply grateful to the Board of Directors and to all the members of Temple Beth Israel for the many kindnesses and honors shown my family and myself. We shall always remember our service in Sharon warmly.

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi Joseph D. Herzog