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Dear TABC Family,

As we savor the quiet, productive weeks of summer at TABC and plan for an exciting welcome to our incoming class of 2019, it gives us some time to reflect on our new and improved campus and appreciate how far we have come in such a short period of time. It's hard to believe that it has been two years since we moved into our new building. The new and improved campus has not only allowed us to accommodate our growing student body, but has enabled us to offer so much more to our students. Whether in terms of enhanced *tefillah b'tzibur* and our various *beit midrash* programs, our state-of-the art classrooms or our athletic and extracurricular offerings, every aspect of the TABC experience has been touched and improved by our new campus. The best news of all is that our students are enthusiastically taking advantage of all the new offerings.

Of course none of this would have happened without the efforts and dedication of those of you who contributed your time and funds to make this a reality. We are especially grateful to our first round of donors who pledged close to \$3.6 million toward our Capital Campaign. These crucial funds allowed us to pay off our existing mortgage and make the necessary down payment to obtain a \$7 million construction loan at extremely favorable terms. We were also able to obtain a short term, interest free, loan for \$1 million from the Avi Chai Foundation.

Now, as we thrive in our new building, it is time to move forward. Obtaining these loans were critical for our construction process, but our plans were, and continue to be, to reduce our mortgage to a level that will not interfere with our operating budget and the need to make our educational programming our first priority. As a result, we are renewing our efforts to raise funds for our Capital Campaign. If you have not yet contributed to this effort, or are in a position to increase your pledge, now is an ideal time to make that commitment. There are still many dedication opportunities available and we ask that you consider contributing at the level that is right for you. Gifts to the Capital Campaign are entirely tax-deductible and payments can be made over time by check, credit card or stock transfers. Please reach out to me (expansion@tabc.org) or to Sharon Rifkind, our Director of Development (201-837-7696 x123, sharon.rifkind@tabc.org), to be counted among the builders of Torah in our community.

To those of you who have already contributed to this campaign, we look forward to reaching out to you in the near term to discuss our plans to acknowledge your extraordinary generosity and the presentation of your dedications. Our short term plan calls for displaying a temporary donor board as we begin the process of designing a permanent donor wall, in addition to dedication plaques for those who pledged \$36,000 and above. We thank the many members of our community whose vision and generosity have made this dream into a reality. We have come together in a remarkable way, and the success of this campaign will stand testament to the generosity and *achdut* of the TABC family. May we continue to go from strength to strength.

Sincerely,

Nachum Barishansky
Board President