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Dear Friends,

The Museum of Tolerance Jerusalem (MOTJ) is set to expand the understanding of tolerance amongst peoples, faiths, and communities from the heart of Jerusalem, a city where people of all religions and backgrounds live together, practicing their faith freely. The city of Jerusalem is working together with the representatives of the museum in developing the site, which will be an important anchor for millions of tourists from around the world. I am very excited about the new design of the MOTJ by the renowned Israeli architect, Chyutin.

I personally visited the Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles, California in 2009 and was deeply impressed. I saw first hand its effect on young people and the diverse visitors who represent the entire spectrum of communities and religions. The MOTJ is rooted in the enduring Jewish values that advance human dignity and social justice, especially in its social laboratory, which will explore the critical challenges facing Israel and the world today. I have no doubt that the Museum will be a magnet for the millions of tourists who come from around the world to experience Jerusalem. All friends of Jerusalem should support this great project.

Sincerely,

Nir Barkat

Mayor of Jerusalem