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Hon. Consul (Ret.)

Eilat, December 11th, 2012 - 27 Kislev 5773, 4th candle of Chanukah, 12JadB-24-IRWF

Dr Baruch Tenenbaum - Founder IRWF - New-York

Mr Eduardo Eurnekian - Chairman IRWF - New-York

Mr Danny Rainer - Director IRWF - Jerusalem

Dear Sirs,

In the name of our Mayor, Meir Jitzhak Halevi, in the name of the Citizens of Eilat, as well as in my own name I would like to express our sincere thanks for the honor bestowed on our city and on ourselves.

To be singled out for this distinction is a great honor itself, but at the end of this Centennial Year of the birth of the Hero Raoul Wallenberg, with uncountable activities all over the world, takes my breath away indeed.

A dozen years ago, when we opened the doors of "Jad-Bamidbar", our Holocaust Study and Memorial Center in Eilat, and with the gift of Raoul Wallenberg's bust, made by the sculptor B. Horn, and the many talks we had about this phenomenon, we could not dream where this will lead us.

Only now, after returning from the very impressive ceremony at the Tel-Aviv University, and having listened to the many speeches made, beginning with the outstanding words of Ambassador Elinor Hammerskjoeld and ending with the closing remarks of Director Danny Rainer, we can only try to get an overview of the greatness of this honor.

With the permission of our Mayor, Mr. Meir Jitzhak Halevi, the medal will be placed in our Study and Memorial Center "Jad-Bamibar", near the bust of Raoul Wallenberg, as we could not think of a more suitable place here for.

We take this opportunity, dear Sirs, to wish you and the International Raoul Wallenberg Foundation many more years of your successful and impressive work, may the name of the Hero Raoul Wallenberg be remembered with full honors by the generations to come.

Respectfully yours,



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