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Dear Sonja and German Friends of the Israel Museum,

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude to you and the German Friends of the Israel Museum for the recent transfers of funds for the Youth Wing "Bridging the Gap" program.

Since assuming my new position as Head of the Youth Wing almost a year ago, I have come to understand just how important this flagship program is for our Wing, for the Museum, the State of Israel, and for peace in our region—as they offer an exemplary method of bringing together disparate peoples—especially from among the next generation—through a shared love of art and culture. Your support has been instrumental to its success and to making it one of the most important programs we offer. We believe that the program will serve as a model of shared living to be emulated throughout the world, especially in challenging times such as we face today.

You have our deepest appreciation for your role, and that of the German Friends, in supporting this project and we look forward to seeing you in June.

Warm regards,

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