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physical comforts, Egypt is no place for the Jews.

This is Yosef's greatness. From time immemorial, Jews felt for *Eretz Yisrael* when it was tough for them in exile. When they were in trouble, being persecuted, attacked and killed. The greater the antisemitism, the greater the emotions towards Zion.

However, true love and connection to *Eretz Yisrael* is constant and eternal, even when the situation in the Diaspora is flourishing and Jews lack nothing.

Yosef brought the Jewish people to Egypt to survive the years of famine. Yet he knew he had to warn them of the dangers of staying.

Sometimes, there is no choice and Jews stay in their home countries for various reasons, but in truth, every Jew should be aspiring to live in *Eretz Yisrael*. Every Jew should remember that his or her aim—and the aim of their family—is to reach the Promised Land.

Even when the economic situation is booming elsewhere, *Eretz Yisrael* is always more important, better, and more appropriate for the Jewish people. ■

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rabbi Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein

Dear Editor,

I was deeply touched by Rabbi Aaron I. Reichel's narration of the life of his eminent grandfather, Rabbi Dr. Herbert S. Goldstein, in his opinion piece, "In Defense of Rabbi Herbert Goldstein: The Changing View of Zionism" (December 22, 2025). Espousing Torah values and a religious way of life as *sine qua non* to the Zionist dream, Rabbi Goldstein effectively mounted a strong resistance to the prevailing views of Zionism in the first half of the 20th Century wherein secularity took precedence over religion.

Responding to the currents of those times, his grandfather presciently transformed his shul, later known as the West Side Institutional Synagogue, into a major center for Jewish life by bringing in a multitude of athletic, social, and literacy clubs, which drew large numbers of Jews, preventing them from slipping into the perilous anonymity of secular life. In essence, the shul served as the greatest weapon against the forces of assimilation while imbuing community members with a Zionist zeal that so remarkably shaped the career path

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and personal choices of his illustrious grandfather and his children.

I can relate. My mother was a life-long friend of Herman Wouk, who she came to know as a fellow camper in Milton, Vermont in the late 1920s. According to my mother's account, the camp director, Sam Borowsky, who served as president of the Borough Park Zionist Organization, instilled in the campers both religion and Zionism as inextricably tied. Herman Wouk was a great admirer of Rabbi Goldstein, principally because he was able to infuse Zionism, religion, and a balanced form of secularism among all those who came within his orbit. Rabbi Reichel's illuminating op-ed captures the passion of his grandfather's unflagging commitment to Zionism, enduring a long and difficult nautical voyage [to Israel] in the 1950s, which he made yearly, and which enabled him to serve as a role model during

his lifetime and for generations after. Commitment and zeal never fade with time. And neither will the name "Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein."

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Real Danger

Dear Editor,

There have been many complaints lately about the antisemitism on the Right Wing of American politics. Specifically, Tucker Carlson, Nick Fuentes, and Candace Owens. Let's stay focused on the real problem, which is Mamdani and his staff. There is more antisemitism there than in the whole Right Wing combined and it is more consequential. The danger is from those who chant "From the River to the Sea" and "Globalize the Intifada." Mamdani has been tolerant of them and when in power can allow them to take action. We must pressure him to protect us properly.

Hashem Yishmor.
Anonymous

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