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Dear Friends,

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The **Walnut Street Synagogue**, home of Congregation Agudas Sholom, extends well wishes to you and your family during this challenging time. **Congregation Agudas Sholom has served Jewish families from Chelsea and neighboring communities for over one hundred and ten years.** Through difficult and joyous times, we have kept our doors open to congregants, neighbors, and friends. At this unprecedented period of Covid-19 and global- and nation-wide struggles for human rights, we are reminded that our forebears in Chelsea were immigrants who, like Chelsea residents today, confronted racism, religious discrimination, and poverty. Yet, through determination and commitment to Jewish values and traditions, our founders built the Walnut Street Synagogue, the “Queen of (New England) Synagogues” in 1908 to house a religious and cultural community, a *mishkan*, a tabernacle, to embrace immigrant Jews on their American journey. **Our synagogue, that stands today on the National Register of Historic Places, is a cherished Chelsea Jewish legacy and is an invaluable Chelsea cultural asset.**

We would love for you to continue as one of our friends, *chaverim*, of the Walnut Street Synagogue. In addition to observing Shabbat, Jewish holidays and rituals in our historic building, we invite you to join us as we craft a vision for the Walnut Street Synagogue future, an innovative cultural and historic center to preserve and to celebrate Chelsea’s rich Jewish history and the city’s many immigrant stories.

Your gift of \$36, or any amount, will help to sustain the Walnut Street Synagogue and our historic community. For an additional \$18, \$36, \$72, \$144, or \$288, or more, you are a *lantzman*, following the legacy of our founders as the creators of a Chelsea Jewish future. Your support is appreciated as our facility is over a century old and is costly to maintain. Ultimately, we hope to make the building fully accessible so all will be able to visit. Your gift will help to engage, educate, and inspire generations of Jews and our neighbors in Chelsea and beyond for years to come.

Please feel free to be in touch for more information on our exciting plans. Your investment in our future is small; the benefit is incalculable. See enclosed form for donation instructions.

Our plans for the **High Holidays** will be released soon, so please stay tuned.

We wish you a warm, healthy, and safe summer.

L’Shalom,

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