



OFFICE OF THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

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Mr. Gary P. Saltzman  
President  
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Dear President Saltzman:

On behalf of the members of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), and our affiliated organizations, I write to convey our sincere condolences to the American Jewish community, and Diaspora, upon the sad news of the passing of former Israeli Prime Minister and President, Shimon Peres.

Public service is an honorable and meritorious profession. It is an ideal AHEPA holds sacred and seeks to advance. During his decades of public service, Mr. Peres, who was a founder of Israel, statesman, and peacemaker, exemplified excellence in public service to the fullest. He also took to ancient Greek philosophers, often quoting them. When asked about the Oslo Accords, Peres said, *"An ancient Greek philosopher was asked what is the difference between war and peace. 'In war,' he replied, 'the old bury the young. In peace, the young bury the old.'"*

The entire AHEPA family, including the Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles, and Maids of Athena; offers its deepest heartfelt sympathies. May his memory be a blessing.

With deepest sympathy,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew C. Zachariades". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andrew C. Zachariades  
Supreme President

Cc: Daniel Mariaschin, executive vice president, B'nai B'rith International