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JCRC-NY 2018 Congressional Breakfast Features Senate Democratic Leader Charles Schumer Senator Bob Menendez, and Nine U.S. Representatives

February 11, 2018 (New York) – Senate Democratic Leader Charles E. Schumer (D-NY), Senator Bob Menendez (D-NJ), Ranking Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and nine additional Members of New York’s Downstate Congressional Delegation participated in JCRC-NY 2018 Congressional Breakfast at UJA-Federation of NY in mid-town Manhattan sponsored by Corporate Benefactor Willy Pilku, owner of CORE Scaffold Systems Inc. and WAVE Construction Group.

Senators Schumer and Menendez and U.S. Representatives Yvette Clarke, Daniel Donovan, Eliot Engel, Adriano Espaillat, Carolyn Maloney, Sean Patrick Maloney Grace Meng, Jerrold Nadler and Tom Suozzi addressed close to 300 Jewish, political, faith and ethnic leaders and diplomats on topics ranging from the U.S. Israel relationship, the anti-Israel bias at the UN, the Taylor Force Act, terrorism, the rise in anti-Semitism, the Nonprofit Security Grant Program, immigration, DACA, and more.

The event was chaired by JCRC-NY President Charles S. Temel, Congressional Breakfast Committee Chair Zoya Raynes Friedman, and Executive VP and CEO Michael S. Miller. Also participating were Hon. Dani Dayan, Consul General of Israel in NY; Eric Goldstein, CEO of UJA-Federation; Corporate Benefactor Willy Pilku; JCRC-NY Board Members Stewart Cahn, Jonathan Greenspun, Jay Hershenson, Brad Korn, Michael Lustig, Robyn Polansky Morrison, Josh Moskowitz and Rada Sumareva; and JCRC-LI Chairman Adam Novak. Among those joining us were: NYC Speaker Corey Johnson, Manhattan Borough President Gayle Brewer, Queens Borough President Melinda Katz, Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark, NYS Assembly Members Michael Blake, Diana Richardson, Rebecca Seawright and Jeff Wice, NYC Council Members Chaim Deutsch, Mathieu Eugene, Barry Grodenchik, Brad Lander, David Weprin and Kalman Yeger; MTA Chief Diversity Officer Michael Garner, and diplomats from The People’s Republic of China, France, Kosovo, Lithuania, Mexico .

The Jewish Community Relations Council of New York (JCRC-NY) serves as the central coordinating and resource body for the Jewish community in the metropolitan New York area and as an advocate for a strong and secure State of Israel. An active force in New York civic and communal life, JCRC-NY builds working relationships within the Jewish community, with other ethnic and faith communities, and with public officials and government agencies.

Photos by Rod Morat/Michael Priest Photography are below.

