2012/5772 International August Executive Conference of the Aleph Zadik Aleph and B'nai B'rith Girls

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68th International Board of the B'nai B'rith Girls

Resolution Recognizing Pacific Western Region BBYO

Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s):		Jackson Block (Pacific Western); Alexandra Vaezi (Pacific Western)	
Sec	ond(s):	BBYO North America Western Hub	
01 02 03 04	decisions of our Chapters, Councils and Regions to better themselves and best position themselves to create more meaningful Jewish experiences for more Jewish teens; and		
05 06 07	Whereas, BBYO has enjoyed decades of success in engaging and inspiring generations of Jewish teens across Southern California to live and lead proud Jewish lives; and		
08 09 10 11 12	Whereas, Pacific Coast Region and Southwestern Region felt joining together would better leverage resources, empower teen leaders, and mutually benefit their shared strategic goal of involving thousands of Jewish teens across Southern California in AZA, BBG, BBYO Connect and BBYO sponsored activities;		
13 14 15 16 17	Be it hereby resolved and celebrated that the former regions of Pacific Coast Region and Southwestern Region have joined together and will be known from now forward under the new name Pacific Western Region, as voted on by the Alephs and B'nai B'rith Girls of the corresponding chapters across San Diego, Los Angeles, and all of Southern California at		
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Resolution to Recognize One-Year Anniversary of BBYO Connect

Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): Central Region West, Lonestar, Michigan, Ohio		Central Region West, Lonestar, Michigan, Ohio Northern	
Sec	ond(s):	Central Region East, Southern: Atlanta Council, NRE: D.C., Westchester	
01 02 03 04 05	rebranded as BBYO Connect as a strategic tactic to respond to and reverse the Jewish community's post-Bar and Bat Mitzvah drop-off crisis for middle school aged Jewish teens; and		
06 07 08 09	was invo	s, during the 2011-2012 program year every Council and Region in North America olved in the creation and/or execution of BBYO Connect programs at the Chapter, Regional or International tier; and	
10 11 12 13	school ag	s, during the 2011-2012 program year BBYO Connect reached over 9,900 middle ged teens building the first phase of a tremendous platform of prospective teens to aningfully engage through AZA, BBG and BBYO entry points; and	
14 15 16		s, BBYO Connect celebrated successful programming, partnerships and press orth America in a coordinated, collaborative and community-integrated way;	
17 18 19 20 21	look to c and leade for thous	reby resolved that BBYO Connect had an awe-inspiring inaugural year and as we our second year we commit to greater involvement from AZA and BBG members ers, with special attention to ensuring smart, successful and meaningful transitions sands of eighth grade teens from BBYO Connect to the Aleph Zadik Aleph and rith Girls forging a healthier and stronger future of our Orders.	
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Resolution to Welcome Estonia into BBYO Community Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Mal	xer(s):	Logan Ratick (Connecticut Valle	y); Genna Fudin (Connecticut Valley)
Sec	ond(s):	Gabe Jacobs (Wisconsin); Sapir	Fellus (Eastern Canada)
01 02	Whereas	s, BBYO is the leading global Jew	ish pluralistic youth Movement; and
03 04	Whereas	s, BBYO has affiliates and membe	rship communities around the world; and
05 06 07		s, relationships amidst leader ication are increasingly frequent, p	rs, initiative collaboration and meaningful productive, unifying and effective; and
08 09 10		s, the presence of BBYO teens from the street BBYO international program	om beyond North America are increasingly active as and summer experiences; and
11 12 13 14	centric g	· .	ller', the current membership is a more global- more Jewish communities abroad are seeking
15 16 17		s, there is a long standing history of ces, an international atmosphere at	of decades of depth-oriented relationships, shared summer programs; and
18 19 20		s, the international aspect of BBY que attributes of our organization;	O has always been and remains to be one of the and
21 22 23		s, the American Jewish Joint Dista g, building and inspiring Jewish co	ribution Committee (JDC) is a powerful force for ommunities around the world; and
24 25 26		s, our decades-old relationship wit O has become a central teen partn	h the JDC has grown closer each year since 2006 er agency for the JDC;
27 28 29 30 31 32	formalize benefit f Fellows	ed by the JDC and BBYO, we cele from the Schusterman Foundatio	the organizational partnership developed and abrate the many communities that participate in or n supported BBYO/JDC Jewish Service Corps gentina, the Balkans, Germany, Latvia, Israel,
33 34		ther recommended that we proud global affiliate as a result of the BE	ally welcome Estonia into the BBYO family as an AYO/JDC partnership.
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Resolution to Support U.S. Congressional Legislation Recognizing Jewish Refugees Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): 88th Grand Board, Aleph Zadik Aleph; 68th International Board, B'nai B'rith Girls

Second(s): Ilana Ladis (Miami); Brianna Dines (Michigan); Alexa Vecchio (South Jersey);

Jonathan Schuster (Southern: Atlanta); Justin Zimmerman (Gold Coast)

Background

WASHINGTON (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

- A bipartisan group of six Congress members is sponsoring a bill that would ensure recognition of the plight of 850,000 Jewish refugees displaced from Arab countries since Israel's War of Independence in 1948. (Jerrod Nadler (D-NY); Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL); Howard Berman (D-CA); Ted Poe (R-TX); Joe Crowley (D-NY); Bob Turner (R-NY))
- Their bill in the U.S. House of Representatives also would recognize other displaced populations, including Christians from countries in the Middle East, North Africa and the Persian Gulf.
- The legislation specifically calls on the Obama administration to pair any explicit reference to Palestinian refugees with a similar reference to Jewish or other refugee populations.
- Both B'nai B'rith International and the World Jewish Congress were among those who applauded the proposed legislation.
- Justice for Jews from Arab Countries has been pushing the issue for many years and was instrumental in obtaining a House resolution on the matter in 2008. The resolution noted that for any "comprehensive Middle East peace agreement to be credible and enduring, the agreement must address and resolve all outstanding issues relating to the legitimate rights of all refugees, including Jews, Christians and other populations displaced from countries in the Middle East."
- The U.S. Senate is considering a similar resolution.

Nadler

• "The suffering and terrible injustices visited upon Jewish refugees in the Middle East needs to be acknowledged," said U.S. Rep. Jerrod Nadler (D-N.Y.), the lead sponsor of the measure. "It is simply wrong to recognize the rights of Palestinian refugees without recognizing the rights of nearly 1 million Jewish refugees who suffered terrible outrages at the hands of their former compatriots."

Ros-Lehtinen

"Jewish refugees who were forced to flee Arab countries and Iran endured unimaginable hardships," Ros-Lehtinen said in a news release sent to JTA. "Their plight has been ignored by the United Nations, other international bodies and many responsible nations. Any comprehensive Middle East peace agreement can only be credible and enduring if it resolves all issues related to the rights of all refugees in the Arab world and Iran, including Jews, Christians and others."

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18	leaders and partner organizations expressing our support for this bill's passage.
17	this conference) send a letter to the sponsoring representatives, and other key Congressional
16	Be it moved that the 2012-2013 Executive Body (utilizing volunteer authors on site during
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14	Aleph and the B'nai B'rith Girls, declares our support for this Congressional bill; and
13	Be it hereby resolved that the 2012-2013 Executive Body, on behalf of the Aleph Zadik
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11	efforts on behalf of Soviet Jewry;
10	advocating for the safe migration of Syria's Jewish population in 1972 and the years-long
09	Jewish refugees, by supporting the Yishuv in the establishment of the Jewish State, by
80	framework since our founding, notably in the aftermath of the Shoah (Holocaust) by aiding
07	Whereas, BBYO has been a vital communal component of the Jewish community's
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05	within and beyond our community in need of advocacy, support and protection; and
04	Whereas, AZA and BBG are committed to 'Standing UP' and 'Speaking UP' for all those
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02	Jewish People – and all other people – regardless of location, criteria or borders; and
UΙ	whereas, AZA and DDG are committed to ensuring the safety, recognition and rights of the

Resolution to Commend U.S. Congressional Pro-Israel Leadership on the Passage of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): 88th Grand Board of the Aleph Zadik Aleph and the 68th International Board of

the B'nai B'rith Girls

Second(s): Rebecca Shafron (Southern: Atlanta); Julia Laibstain (Eastern: Virginia); Brittany

Piket (Nassau-Suffolk); Alana Levine-Gorelick (Central Region West); Daniel Willenzik (Eastern: North Carolina); Josh Lipman (Mountain); Joseph Sitzmann

(Great Midwest)

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(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

- Congress approved a broad array of new sanctions targeting Iran, and the White House suggested it would implement them.
- The bill expands sanctions on insurers dealing with Iran's energy sector; sanctions anyone affiliated with the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps; expands sanctions on energy and uranium mining activities in Tehran; and freezes the assets of individuals and companies that enable Iran to repress its citizens through the use of technology. It also reduces the threshold for incurring sanctions from \$20 million in annual dealings with Iran's energy sector to \$5 million.
- Also, for the first time in actionable legislation, the measure defines the capability of building a nuclear weapon as posing a threat to the United States.
- The bill also allows for sanctions against persons responsible for human rights abuses committed against citizens of Syria or their family members, including censorship or other forms of repression.
- The American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), which lobbied for passage, praised both houses and particularly the bill's sponsors, Reps. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) and Howard Berman (D-CA) and Sens. Tim Johnson (D-SD) and Richard Shelby (R-AL).
- Whereas, AZA and BBG are fully committed on ensuring a safe Jewish state; and 02
- Whereas, AZA and BBG recognize the serious and present threat of a nuclear capable Iran not just to Israel, but to the Jewish Diaspora and the greater world as a whole; and
- Whereas, the Iranian government has proven to be a threat to the State of Israel time and time again; and
- Whereas, the Syrian people are suffering human rights abuses from their government, including arbitrary detention, torture, displacement and the killings of thousands of civilians; and
- Whereas thousands of Syrians have sought refuge in neighboring countries and many more are internally displaced; and

15 16 17 18	Whereas the abuses suffered by the Syrian people are abhorrent to us as fellow human beings and particularly to us as Jews mindful of the value of B'tzelem Elohim, all humans are created in the image of G-d and have inherent value; and
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20	Be it hereby resolved that the 2012-2013 North American Executive Body, on the behalf of
21	the Aleph Zadik Aleph and the B'nai B'rith Girls, declare their support for this
22	Congressional bill; and
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24	Be it moved that the 2012-2013 Executive Body (utilizing volunteer authors on site during
25	this conference) send a letter to Representatives Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) and Howard
26	Berman (D-CA), as well as Senators Tim Johnson (D-SD) and Richard Shelby (R-AL)
27	thanking them for their bipartisan support of the passage of this bill.
Pass	ed Failed Tabled

Motion, Scheduling Speak UP for Israel Week 2012 Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): 88th Grand Board, Aleph Zadik Aleph; 68th International Board, B'nai B'rith Girls

Second(s): Paul Felder (North Florida); Sydney Ungar (Ohio Northern); Adam Zall (Rocky

Mountain); Jenna Kress (NRE: D.C.)

Background

At AZA and BBG's International August Executive Meetings in 2010, a motion was passed establishing BBYO's Speak UP for Israel Week. The intention of this week is to rally Jewish teens together to display support for the State of Israel. Chapters, Councils and Regions – and members everywhere – are encouraged to "Speak UP" in support of as well as learn about Israel, and to hold programs and events that would teach others about Israel. Efforts encouraged include writing letters to elected representatives, visiting local government offices to lobby, holding rallies, issuing petitions, creating educational videos and building long-term relationships with political representatives. The potential for this initiative has not yet been fully realized, yet the opportunity to make real impact is very much within our grasp.

- 01 Whereas, one of BBYO's Core Values, passed by the 2011-2012 Executive Body, states
- 02 that our Order has an "unwavering commitment to the State of Israel" and is committed to
- 03 supporting a meaningful relationship between the global Jewish community and the State of
- 04 Israel; and

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Whereas, efforts to execute Speak UP for Israel Week has not yet fully reached its potential, and we as Jewish teens and future communal leaders have a vested, long-term interest in educating ourselves and others, exploring, inspiring our peers, learning, dialoguing about and/or advocating on behalf of Israel; and

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Whereas, past successes with Stand UP week, J-Serve, AZA and BBG Global Shabbat and International Convention have proven that well-planned, simultaneously shared initiatives relative to AZA and BBG's Movement Priorities are an effective way of achieving mass visibility and widespread participation; and

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Whereas, the AZA and BBG commitment to Israel grows each year with record numbers of Jewish teens traveling to Israel, attending communal gatherings and conferences about Israel (i.e., AIPAC Policy Conference, AIPAC High School Summit, iCenter Israel Bootcamp, etc.), and more teens seeking Israel education and BBYO immersive programs;

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Be it resolved that the full vision for Speak UP for Israel Week will come to fruition during the 2012-2013 program year, and that for each year to come, the specific dates of Speak UP for Israel Week will be determined by the AZA and BBG Executive Body in coordination with BBYO's professional staff at the AZA and BBG International August Executive Conference; and

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27 **Be it further resolved** for the 2012-2013 program year, Speak UP for Israel Week will take

- 28 place during the week of November 12th-16th. This directly follows the AZA and BBG
- 29 Global Shabbat Weekend, which not only brings together our Movement but also provides a
- 30 safe space for BBYO teens to further their Jewish identity; thus AZA and BBG Global
- 31 Shabbat provides the quintessential timing for the kickoff of International Speak UP for
- 32 Israel Week so that we can launch this important effort united.

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Motion, Establishing the Global Networking Committee Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): Michaela Brown (NRE: Northern Virginia); Nick Phillips (United Kingdom and

Ireland)

Second(s): Judith Cohen (Eastern: North Carolina); Delia Goldin (NRE: Northern Virginia);

Brandon Myers (NRE: D.C.)

Background

In 2002, when BBYO Inc. declared its independence from B'nai B'rith International, the majority of BBYO's programs beyond North America closed or sustained themselves independently of BBYO International. As BBYO in North America has grown stronger over the last ten years, the International Executive Body amplified its efforts to revive the connections once shared to Jewish teen communities across the world. This has been actualized most by establishing partner communities, rapidly growing the International Service Fund (ISF), increasing non-North American teen attendance at BBYO immersive experiences, and successfully expanding simultaneous initiatives around the world (i.e., J-Serve, AZA and BBG Global Shabbat, International Convention and International Leadership Seminar in Israel). To better support these efforts, our Order established the Global Ambassadors Network (GAN) consisting of North American teens serving as liaisons to communities around the world. Although constructed with the right intentions, we have learned much over the past two years. Communication, collaboration and cooperation can be made stronger if the investment in the network is one that originates from an equal investment by both parties, and our peers abroad have asked that we level the platform to create a forum where we work together as counterparts.

01 Whereas, the Global Ambassadors Network is still a new component of BBYO and its 02 effectiveness continues to evolve as systems are piloted; and

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04 Whereas, the GAN consisted of only teens from North America, thus unintentionally 05 channeling all dialogue through North America and inhibiting, general, teen to teen 06 collaboration regardless of origin; and

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08 Whereas, the world "ambassador" implies that the post is working with an alien entity as 09 opposed to a part of the same network; and

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11 Whereas, communities outside of North America receive recognition and representation at 12 International Convention, however they have minimal representation in the Order 13 throughout the rest of the year; and

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15 Whereas, the priorities, principles and values of our Movement should be discussed on a 16 global scale between every community as needed and when wanted; and

- 18 Whereas, for globalization to reach full integration in our Movement, we must provide
- 19 every Chapter and their members around the world an opportunity to communicate, network
- 20 and grow with their peers from every corner of the earth; and

Whereas, Kol yisrael arevim zeh lazeh, all Jews are responsible to each other and as B'nai B'rith Girls and Alephs, we recognize the responsibility we have as Jews to join together as one Jewish People;

Be it resolved that the Global Ambassadors Network (GAN) be reborn as the Global

26 Be it resolved that the Global Ambassadors Network (GAN) be reborn as the Global 27 Networking Committee, an opportunity for teens from every community BBYO and its 28 partners represent around the globe to share ideas, discuss opportunities and build our Movement from a global platform. The International Mazkirah and Grand Aleph Mazkir 30 will coordinate the GNC, appointed as a chair committee after having applied through the International Teen Leadership Network application. A chair/chairwoman for the committee 31 will be appointed to help steer committee efforts. Efforts of the committee will include 32 33 establishing an understanding of commonalities, voicing and assisting with concerns 34 universal or particular to nations represented in the global network, sharing best practices and successes and working together to implement AZA and BBG's Movement Priorities in 36 as many places possible. The North Americans serving on GNC will retain the responsibility to communicate the lessons learned and news from around the world to the 37 BBYO North American constituency. Through this committee, Chapters and Jewish teens 38 globally will be able to embrace all that BBYO has to offer and work together today for a strong, united Jewish future tomorrow.

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Recommendation for a Strategic AZA Membership Committee AZA Business Meeting

Maker(s): Ryan Friedman (Ohio Northern)

Second(s): Ethan Loftspring (Mid-America: Kansas City)

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At the conclusion of the 2011-2012 programming year, the B'nai B'rith Girls edged the Aleph Zadik Aleph by approximately 1,500 members. While AZA grew by 200 Alephs this year, BBG advanced by nearly 700 members. This trend has been the pattern over the past four years. We do not view the success of our sister B'nai B'rith Girls competitively, rather their achievement inspires us to acknowledge that we can do better – and we must. We know the Jewish male statistics regarding communal involvement well. One of our greatest contributions to the Jewish future will be measured by how many Jewish males we involve in AZA and Jewish life today.

As precedent, AZA has held its stride parallel to BBG in recent years during large-scale recruitment efforts. Most notably, in the campaign that first ignited our multi-year growth success as an Order, the Y2K initiative coordinated by the 84th and 64th Boards grew AZA and BBG, each, by 1,000 members in just 9 weeks. Stronger today than we were then, AZA and the community are ready for a significant step forward.

- 01 Whereas, BBYO's mission is to engage as many Jewish teens possible; and
- Whereas, BBG is growing at a faster rate than AZA; and 04
- Whereas, AZA is one of the few membership and commitment oriented Jewish experiences for young Jewish males in the Jewish community that is significantly growing; and 07
- Whereas, we, as a Jewish global fraternity, have been motivated by the Jewish teen male crisis in the community over the last few years; and
- Whereas, we know from AZA's long history that whenever we were really, genuinely focused on a goal we wanted to achieve together we have always come through; and
- Whereas, our membership is in need of procedural, creative and quality recruitment training and education tools; and
- Whereas, the more Alephs that know how to recruit effectively, the better positioned AZA will be for systemic, long-term growth including expansion into underdeveloped and new areas; and
- Whereas, the Grand Aleph Godol visits Chapters, Councils and Regions challenged and strong on a weekly basis providing an education about the ins and outs of every AZA chapter;

Be it recommended that the Grand Aleph Godol use his executive power to create a special committee to focus exclusively on growing AZA membership efficiently and universally in the year ahead. This committee will build and provide resources, liaison to BBYO's professional staff about opportunities and needs, and report back at International Convention 2013 in Washington, D.C. with a strategy to reach our year-end involvement goals. The Grand Aleph Godol will determine the application/selection process as well as the details of this committee's execution as the Executive Chair sees fit.

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Empowered Democracy Act Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): 88th Grand Board, Aleph Zadik Aleph; 68th International Board, B'nai B'rith Girls

Second(s): Dan Widawsky (Big Apple), Alex Blum (Nassau-Suffolk), Jackie Pavlofsky

(Kentucky Indiana Ohio), Sarah Casteel (Mid-America: St. Louis), Jessica

Markowitz (Evergreen)

Background

Currently, the AZA and BBG International Executive Body come together to vote on business twice a year, once at August Execs and once at February Execs. These are the only two times a year when business can be brought to the floor and voted on.

- 01 Whereas, AZA and BBG are committed to moving the Movement forward in the most
- 02 democratic fashion possible, offering opportunities for leaders on all levels and aspects of
- 03 BBYO to suggest new business; and

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Whereas, ideas for new legislation in the AZA and BBG bodies are thought of and/or are needed more than twice a year; and

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Whereas, implementation of business actions should not be postponed up to six months until the next Executive Meeting; and

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- 11 Whereas, the limited amount of time for business at the August and February Executive
- 12 Meetings, makes it impossible to bring to the floor all the written pieces of business; and

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Whereas, AZA and BBG should not limit the voice of Alephs and BBGs to just twice a year; and

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Whereas, the AZA and BBG bodies are committed to ensuring that legitimate legislation is heard and voted on;

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Be it hereby resolved that the 2012-2013 AZA and BBG Executive Body, on the behalf of the Aleph Zadik Aleph and the B'nai B'rith Girls, will convene for business at the beginning of each month when business is on the floor; and

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- 24 **Be it moved** that the Grand Aleph Godol and International N'siah will hold business sessions during the first four days of each month beginning in October 2012.
- During these sessions any member of AZA or BBG may bring to the floor any piece of business for debate or vote. Legislation must be co-sponsored and submitted by that member's Executive Body representative.
 All proposed legislation must be received by the Grand Aleph Godol and
 - All proposed legislation must be received by the Grand Aleph Godol and International N'siah no later than the 20th day of the month prior to its being brought to a vote.
 - All new pieces of business will be put on the new AZA and BBG website on the

1st/2nd (depending on Shabbat and holidays) of the next month and open to voting until midnight of the 4th (unless the fourth falls on Shabbat or a holiday when the deadline will be extended to the 5th). Voting procedures may vary depending upon the content of the legislation. These powers reside with the Executive Chairs of AZA and BBG (Grand Aleph Godol and International N'siah).

- Members of the Executive Body will have the opportunity to submit their vote online or via technology during a real-time poll.
- The Grand Aleph Godol, International N'siah, and/or Chair will commit to the upmost respect of the ballot and not identify any information regarding who voted for, against, or abstained from any piece of business.
 - As with any business meeting, a quorum must vote. If no quorum is reached, the business for that month will be adjourned and pushed forward to the next available business meeting.
 - BBYO leaders beyond North America will be encouraged to participate, thus expanding their frequency of participation in Order business well beyond International Convention.

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Resolution to Adopt the BBYO Educational Framework Joint Legislation for AZA and BBG

Maker(s): 68th International Board of the B'nai B'rith Girls Second(s): 88th Grand Board of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

Background:

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- As part of the five-year strategic plan completed in October 2011, a committee of BBYO staff, teen leaders, and consultants from the larger Jewish and secular communities of experiential educators developed a draft Educational Framework designed to play a critical role in guiding the future of BBYO's program as well as its volunteer and staff development and teen leadership training. Ultimately, every program will align with its educational Outcomes in order to maximize the Jewish impact of each teen's experience over his/her years of involvement with BBYO.
- The Educational Framework does not create new goals or change the direction of BBYO. Rather, it builds on BBYO's long history of developing and inspiring Jewish teens. It defines the outcomes and impact of being involved with BBYO. The Educational Framework allows BBYO to be more intentional, focused and strategic, taking its 90-year track record of excellence to a new level of sophistication and consistency.
- The Educational Framework encourages well-rounded programming by promoting a broad exploration of what it means to be Jewish middle school or high school teen today. It also supports a flow of programs across different age demographics, providing teens with new opportunities as they grow and develop.
- When the Educational Framework is taken together with the Delivery Platform (BBYO's growing menu of programs and experiences that reach over 35,000 teens annually) and program evaluation tools, the Educational Framework provides a clear path toward system-wide and intentional excellence.
- Whereas, all members should leave AZA and BBG equipped with the tools to be strong leaders in both the Jewish and secular communities; and
- Whereas, we understand the incredible potential BBYO has to provide Jewish teens with a space to explore and ultimately gain confidence in their Jewish identity; and
- Whereas, we recognize that BBYO can provide Jewish teens with a connection to Israel and to the global Jewish community; and
- Whereas, BBYO cultivates teens that are committed to leading others and improving the world; and
- Whereas, BBYO is committed to building upon its long history of quality educational and identity-forming experiences; and
- Whereas, the BBYO experience does align directly to the goal and outcomes delineated through the Educational Framework:

19 Key Goal for Participants in BBYO 20 BBYO participants will be confident about their Jewish identity, connected to Israel 21 and the global Jewish community, and committed to leading others and improving 22 the world. 23 Three Core Outcomes 24 Identify: Strengthen Jewish identity 25 Feel confident questioning and integrating into one's life Jewish principles about 26 G-d and Torah, history, traditions, and culture. 27 Respect diversity within the Jewish community and in the world. 28 Use leadership skills to help others develop their own Jewish pride, connections, 29 and commitment. 30 Connect: Create Jewish community 31 Have caring and respectful relationships with Jewish peers 32 Understand the role that Israel plays for the Jewish people and around the world 33 Promote the inclusion of all Jews into a pluralistic Jewish community 34 Improve: Change the world 35 Understand current social issues 36 Use Jewish values to guide involvement in service, philanthropy, and advocacy 37 Use leadership skills to mobilize peers around social issues. 38 39 Be it hereby recognized that AZA and BBG will adopt the Educational Framework as a guideline for programming, mission, and values, as well as a goal for the development of all 40 Jewish teens affected by a BBYO experience. Passed _____ Failed _____ Tabled _____

Motion to Accept Updated BBG Constitution

Sarah Minion, 68th International N'siah and Michaela Brown, 68th International Makers:

Mazkirah

Hilit Jacobson, 68th International S'ganit, Emily Gorby, 21st International Aym Ha-Chaverot, and Andie Djamal, 24th International Sh'licha Seconds:

Whereas, the Constitution is the basis of our democracy and the fundamental principles of 01

02 our Order; and

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04 Whereas, the B'nai B'rith Girls are committed to continually refining our Constitution; and

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06 Whereas, certain areas of our Constitution needed elaboration and clarification to be more

07 accurate and accessible; and

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09 Whereas, BBG traditions and practices are constantly evolving and the Constitution needs

10 to reflect those changes; and

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12 Whereas, the language of our Constitution should reflect the priorities of our Movement;

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15 **Whereas,** all content of our Constitution should be relevant to the governance of our Order;

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17 We move to officially accept the updates and changes found in the BBG Constitution as

18 created for the International August Executive Meetings 2012.

Constitution Changes to the International BBG Constitution

1. The Six Folds

1. The Six Polus	
Before:	After:
Activities at all levels are built around	The diversity of BBG programming is what
programming areas, called "folds."	makes the experience so unique. Activities
Community Service	at all levels are built around six programming
Social Action	areas called "Folds." These folds are often
Creativity	combined to create more dynamic
Jewish Heritage	programming.
Sisterhood	
Recreation	Community Service: This fold revolves
	around the Jewish concept of <i>tikun olam</i> , or
	repairing the world. Community service is
	either done directly (volunteering at a site) or
	indirectly (raising money or holding a drive) to
	make the world a better place.
	Creativity: Expanding our horizons and
	widening our talents and abilities; expressing
	ourselves.
	Jewish Heritage : The past, present, and future

of Judaism and Judaic experiences; It is also the holidays, culture, the state of Israel, and traditions we follow.

Sisterhood: Not just a fold, but the very source of our bonds as BBGs. This fold secures the bonds of enthusiasm we have for both BBYO and each other. Sisterhood can also deal with the issues we may face as women.

Recreation: Test your physical and mental abilities while having fun and bonding with your sister BBGs.

Social Action: By teaching us about current issues in society and what is going on in the world, it inspires us to make an impact and bring a positive change to the world

2. Article I

Before:

the International Organization of the B'nai B'rith Girls

After:

the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls

3. Article II

Before:

There shall be an adult governing board (BBYO's International Board of Directors) that assists and oversees the Grand Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

After:

There shall be an adult governing board (BBYO's International Board of Directors) that assists and oversees the Grand Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph and the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls.

4. Article V, Section 1

Before:

A certificate of membership and a BBG manual shall be issued to the new members by the International Headquarters.

After:

A BBG pin and a BBG manual shall be issued to the new members by the International Headquarters.

5. Article V, Section 2

Before:

The International Convention may vote assessments in addition to dues such special purposes as may be approved by the Board of Directors.

After:

The International Convention may vote assessments in addition to dues. Such special purposes must be approved by the Board of Directors.

6. Article V, Section 3

Before:

ISF, also known as the International Service Fund, is the fund that directly allows international members to attend International Convention and Summer Experiences. Due to the costs of international travel, this fund provides as the only way to ensure the continuity and constant progression of global BBYO communities. This fund also serves to provide international Alephs and BBGs the opportunity to have a safe environment to practice and explore Judaism. The fundraising for ISF includes but is not limited to regions pledging yearly an amount that they plan to give to the fund.

Note: ISF is not an emergency service fund nor is it a "tax" when members sign up for BBYO. All funds raised are voluntary.

After:

- 1. ISF, also known as the International Service Fund, is the fund that directly allows international members to attend International Convention and Summer Experiences. Due to the costs of international travel, this fund provides as the only way to ensure the continuity and constant progression of BBYO communities outside of North America.
- 2. This fund also serves to provide BBYO members outside of North America the opportunity to have a pluralistic environment to practice and explore Judaism.
- 3. The fundraising for ISF includes but is not limited to regions pledging yearly an amount that they plan to give to the fund.
- 4. ISF is not an emergency service fund nor is it a "tax" when members sign up for BBYO. All funds raised are voluntary.

7. Article VI, Section 1

Before:

A convention of representatives of the Order shall be held annually at such time as place as decided by the Executive Committee of the International Organization of the B'nai B'rith Girls, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

After:

A convention of representatives of the Order shall be held annually at such time and place as decided by the International Board of the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

8. Article VI, Section 3

Before:

- A. The International Convention of the B'nai B'rith Girls shall integrate the activities of the Chapters, Councils, Regions and Districts of the B'nai B'rith Girls. It shall carry out the philosophy and program of BBYO.
- B. The International Convention for the B'nai B'rith Girls shall evaluate the program and activities of the Chapters, Councils, Regions, and Districts.
- C. Recommendations for future programs and projects will be presented.

After:

- 1. The International Convention of the B'nai B'rith Girls shall integrate the activities of the Chapters, Councils, and Regions of the B'nai B'rith Girls. It shall carry out the philosophy and program of BBYO.
- 2. The International Convention for the B'nai B'rith Girls shall evaluate the program and activities of the Chapters, Councils, and Regions.
- 3. Recommendations for future programs and projects will be presented.
- 4. The International Convention shall elect

- D. The International Convention shall devote part of its sessions to training seminars dealing with the B'nai B'rith philosophy and the B'nai B'rith girls program and organization.
- E. The International Convention shall elect International Officers.
- F. The oratory and storytelling contest at the International level will be held at each International Convention each year. The winner from each R/C will be able to participate in the contest internationally. If the R/C winner cannot attend, another member who participated in the R/C level may take her place.
- G. The Convention shall take place in a different city each year
- H. Each year regions will be eligible to compete for the Spirit Cup. The International N'siah and the rest of the board will decide which region is the most spirited and deserving of the cup. Any region can win the spirit cup each year regardless of whether or not they won it the year before.

- International Officers.
- 5. The oratory and storytelling contest at the International level will be held at each International Convention each year. The winner from each region and council will be able to participate in the contest internationally. If the region or council winner cannot attend, another member who participated in the region or council level may take her place.
- 6. The Convention shall take place in a different city each year.
- 7. Each year regions will be eligible to compete for the Spirit Cup. The International N'siah and the rest of the board will decide which region is the most spirited and deserving of the cup. Any region can win the spirit cup each year regardless of whether or not they won it the year before.

Oversee all aspects of AZA, BBG, and the

9. Article VII, Section 1

Before:	After:
The International Organization of the B'nai	The International Order of the B'nai B'rith
B'rith Girls shall have the following elected	Girls shall have the following elected officers:
officers: N'siah, S'ganit, Aym Ha-Chaverot,	N'siah, S'ganit, Aym Ha-Chaverot, Mazkirah,
Mazkirah, Sh'licha.	Sh'ilcha.

After:

10. Article VII, Section 2

Before:

AZA and BBG

	Teen Movement alongside Grand Board of the Aleph Zadik Aleph
11. Article VII, Section 3	
Before: Spearhead Globalization efforts by working with the Global Ambassadors Network	After: Spearhead Globalization efforts by working with the Global Networking Committee
Will create the Global Ambassadors Network Application and appoint the team	Will create the Global Networking Committee application and appoint the team

12. Article VII, Section 4

Before:

The International Executive Body shall consist of the International Officers and all Regional N'siot as well as all Council-Predominant N'siot. If the Regional/Council N'siah cannot attend the International Executive Board Meeting, the Region/Council may appoint a representative substitute. The Overseas areas are allotted two representatives each (the N'siah/Godol and one representative). If an Overseas member is elected to the International Board, she/he will also act as the second representative at International Executive Body meetings. If an International Officer also holds the position of Regional/Council N'siah, she may pass her Regional/Council vote to the next highest-ranking officer.

After:

The International Executive Body shall consist of the International Officers and all Regional N'siot as well as all Council-predominant N'siot. If the Regional/Council N'siah cannot attend the International Executive Board Meeting, the Region/Council may appoint a representative substitute. Communities outside of North America are allotted two representatives each (the N'siah/Godol and one representative). If an International Officer also holds the position of Regional/Council N'siah, she may pass her Regional/Council vote to the next highest-ranking officer.

13. Article VII, Section 6

Before:

Relay information to Council/Regional/Overseas officers through releases and personal communication

After:

Relay information to council, regional, and other community officers through releases and personal communication

14. Article VII, Section 1

Before:

The B'nai B'rith Girls administers the following annual international and Israel summer Programs: International Leadership Seminar in Israel, the Ambassadors Fellowship to Bulgaria, and BBYO Passport opportunities

After:

The B'nai B'rith Girls and the Aleph Zadik Aleph administer the following annual international and Israel summer Programs: International Leadership Seminar in Israel, the Ambassadors to Bulgaria program, and BBYO Passport opportunities

15. Article VII, Section 3

Before:

BBG Shabbat: BBG Shabbat will be celebrated around the world every November.

After:

BBG Shabbat will be celebrated around the world every November in conjunction with AZA Shabbat. While these Shabbat experiences will be on the same date, AZA and BBG will be able to decide on a local level what their experience will look like whether it is partnering with each other, chapter specific programming, community-wide with BBYO stakeholders present, or any combination.

16. Article VII, Section 3

Before:

BBGG is an athletics and recreational league. BBGG will have intra and inter regional/council games and inter-hub tournaments (eventually) that coincide with the globalization of AZAA. BBGG will be part of International Convention 2012 in Atlanta, Georgia and will be encouraged to be an integral part of BBG Shabbat, Regional/Council/Chapter separates, and Sisterhood Weekends. BBGG will motivate girls who are committed to recreation or would view positively upon this new outlet to connect to other Jewish teen girls to get involved in our Order. Ultimately our Order will be stronger and our BBG experience richer as a result.

After:

BBGG (B'nai B'rith Girls Games) is an athletics and recreational league. BBGG will have intra and inter-regional or inter-council games and inter-hub tournaments (eventually) that coincide with the globalization of AZAA. BBGG will be part of International Convention and will be encouraged to be an integral part of BBG Shabbat, regional, council, and chapter separates, and Sisterhood Weekends. BBGG will motivate girls who are committed to recreation or would view positively upon this new outlet to connect to other Jewish teen girls to get involved in our Order. Ultimately our Order will be stronger and our BBG experience richer as a result.

17. Article IX, Section I

Before:

The Silver Star of Deborah requires the attainment of two hundred and fifty points based upon the awards point system and the Gold Star of Deborah is awarded when an applicant achieves four hundred points based upon the awards point system.

After:

The Silver Star of Deborah requires the attainment of two hundred based upon the awards point system and the Gold Star of Deborah is awarded when an applicant achieves four hundred points based upon the awards point system.

18. Article X

Before:

The constitution of the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls of BBYO Inc. may be amended at any International Convention of the B'nai B'rith Girls by a two-thirds vote of the delegates attending the Convention, and all amendments are subject to the approval of the BBG governing board. This will always be the last article of the constitution of the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls of BBYO Inc. and, regardless of any newly created and numbered articles; this article will remain in the same form and shall only change in article number so that its number will remain the last article number appearing in the BBG Constitution.

After:

The constitution of the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls of BBYO Inc. may be amended at any Executive Business Meeting of the B'nai B'rith Girls by a two-thirds vote of the delegates attending the meeting, and all amendments are subject to the approval of the BBG governing board. This will always be the last article of the constitution of the International Order of the B'nai B'rith Girls of BBYO Inc. and, regardless of any newly created and numbered articles; this article will remain in the same form and shall only change in article number so that its number will remain the last article number appearing in the BBG Constitution.

19. Removal of social media policy and best practices from Constitution