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To whom it may concern:

The conference on Progressive Halakha looks outstanding, and I regret that a trip to Israel (where I will be teaching progressive halakhah IYH) is preventing me from participating. The list of speakers is diverse and top flight, and I have encouraged JTS students to attend (as several will, despite it being the start of their vacation). The articulation of halakhah requires a robust conversation within generations and between the generations. During a time of rapid technological and social change the halakhah can be a source of wisdom and stability that benefits the broader society, but only if it engages in the deep questions of our time. I applaud the organizers of this conference for the initiative and wish all participants a meaningful conversation.



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