Dear Friends:

I am pleased to present our mission statement and guiding principles for the Taube Philanthropies, which are comprised of and implemented by the work of the Taube Family Foundation and the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture.

These philanthropies and their underlying philosophies reflect the experiences of my life, shaped to a large extent by my having had the good fortune to have been an immigrant to the United States from Poland, just weeks ahead of the Nazi terror unleashed on Poland and the world in 1939. I have witnessed the oppression of totalitarian regimes and I have benefited from the gifts of freedom and opportunity available to those of us who live in the greatest democracy the world has ever experienced.

To a large extent, a democracy such as ours has to be affirmed and nurtured by its people—in the case of Americans, the most generous of any population on earth. As an immigrant and direct beneficiary of American democracy, I have tried to fashion my own affirmation through the work and philosophies represented by Taube Philanthropies.

Please join us in celebrating our American and our Jewish heritage. We welcome your participation, your inquiries and your suggestions.

TAD TAUBE
Chairman
Mission

**GUIDED BY A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT** to both secular and Jewish life, Taube Philanthropies provide direct and indirect support to projects and institutions that advance the philosophies and vision of its founder, Tad Taube. Central to these are 1) the concepts and principles of a free, democratic society, including open economic enterprise, self-reliance, academic freedom of inquiry and limited government; and 2) programs that support Jewish heritage, survival and cultural celebration.

Two separate grant-giving foundations constitute Taube Philanthropies. The first, the *Taube Family Foundation (TFF)*, has for nearly 30 years provided leadership for and underwritten significant educational, cultural and civic non-profit organizations of wide variety and consequence. These have focused their services primarily in the San Francisco and Greater Bay Area communities.

The second, the *Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture (TFJLC)*, was established in the year 2001 to 1) help ensure the survival of Jewish life and culture in the face of unprecedented global threat to the Jewish people, especially in Israel; 2) strengthen Jewish identity and sustain Jewish heritage in America in the face of assimilation; 3) celebrate current Jewish achievement in all aspects of human endeavor; and 4) work for the reform of Jewish institutions, which have often become disconnected from the people they serve.

Taube Philanthropies, while primarily focused on local programs in the San Francisco Bay Area, extend their support to Europe and Israel. Areas of concentration in this country and internationally include education and scholarship; cultural renewal and heritage preservation; the arts; public policy research; and institution building.

*TFJLC is a supporting foundation of the Jewish Community Endowment Fund of the Jewish Community Federation of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Sonoma and Marin Counties.*
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS
Jewish Heritage Initiative in Poland

FOUNDED IN 2004, THE JEWISH HERITAGE INITIATIVE IN POLAND (JHIP) nurtures the revival of Jewish life in Poland, furthers awareness of this resurgence among Jews and non-Jews, and fosters positive interest in Poland and Polish Jews among American Jews. This mission reinforces the Taube Philanthropies’ broader purpose of sustaining Jewish culture in the aftermath of the Holocaust.

The JHIP is a partnership program, comprised of Founding Sponsors and an ever-growing number of new partners from the United States and Europe, whose commitments represent significant material investment and philosophical endorsement. The vital participation of our partners reinforces our capacity to encourage connection by Jews around the world with their East European heritage rooted in Poland. In the United States alone, at least two-thirds of American Jews have Polish ancestry.

The Warsaw office of the Jewish Heritage Initiative in Poland is located at the Jewish Historical Institute. The TFJLC is the only American Jewish foundation with an office in Poland.

Israel as a Special Focus

TAUBE PHILANTHROPIES’ COMMITMENT to the advancement of Jewish life in America and Europe is consistent with its support of Israel. Accordingly, programs that help ensure the security and well-being of Israel and its people are of keen interest to the Foundation. We also seek to incorporate, within the meaning of the American Jewish experience, an understanding of the vital role played by Israel in sustaining Jewish identity and continuity.
NEW DOMESTIC INITIATIVE
American Values Program

THE AMERICAN VALUES PROGRAM aims to inform, educate, influence and support politicians and business leaders, pundits and journalists, analysts and policy makers, and other civic and community leaders in fulfilling their critical roles in shaping public life and public policy.

Through philanthropic support of public forums, policy research and public education campaigns, the new program, launched in January 2007, will bolster civic discourse leading to a broader understanding and reinvigoration of American democratic values.

“Taube Philanthropies are committed to our democratic values of free speech, self-reliance, limited government, and freedom of opportunity—in short, American values.”

GLORIA DUFFY, CEO, COMMONWEALTH CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO
**Taube Center for Jewish Studies at Stanford University**

**THE TAUBE CENTER FOR JEWISH STUDIES AT STANFORD** was established with the goal of becoming a leading university program in the United States for Jewish teaching, research and scholarship. The Center has 18 affiliated faculty members, including three with endowed professorships, who teach courses on the full expanse of Jewish history, literature, language, religion, education and politics. Hundreds of undergraduates, both Jewish and non-Jewish, take advantage of these courses each year, and many students minor in or create their own individually designed major in Jewish Studies. The Taube Center also supports graduate students conducting doctoral work in Jewish Studies.

Taube Center academic activities at the Stanford campus are supported by world-class collections of Judaica and Hebraica, including The Taube-Baron Collection of Jewish History & Culture, The Samson/Copenhagen Judaica Collection and other major bibliographic and archival resources.

Other Center activities include four annual endowed lectures, a wide range of symposia and conferences, and special events. The journal *Jewish Social Studies: History, Culture, and Society* is based at the Taube Center, as is the book series *Stanford Studies in Jewish History and Culture*.

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“Tad Taube puts a lot of thought into everything he does. His philanthropy is strategic, with very specific outcomes in mind in terms of scope and impact.”

**SUSAN KORET, CHAIRMAN, KORET FOUNDATION**
**Taube Center for Jewish Life at the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco**

**The Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture** has played a pivotal role in establishing and supporting what has become one of the largest and highest profile Jewish adult education programs in Northern California. The Taube Center for Jewish Life at the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco promotes Jewish literacy, learning, exploration and innovation through classes, workshops, lectures and public forums, serving adults at every level of Jewish education and scholarship.

Center activities include Hebrew language instruction, Torah study, Shabbat and holiday celebrations, meditation and Kabbalah, exhibitions and Israel-themed events. The Taube Center is also the venue for the annual Pritzker Family Lecture, Koret International Book Awards, the Jewish Book Fair and many other offerings.

The Founding Gift was made, and major annual support is provided, by the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture. Additional annual support is also provided by the Koret Foundation Funds and the Janet & Albert Schultz Supporting Foundation of the Jewish Community Endowment Fund.

**Taube Center for Jewish Culture at the Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw**

**The Taube Center for Jewish Culture** was established in 2005 at Warsaw's Jewish Historical Institute, which is Poland's most prominent archive and research center documenting 900 years of Polish Jewish history. The Taube Center supports Yiddish Research Fellowships, exhibitions of the Jewish Historical Institute's holdings and both scholarly and educational publications.
Hoover Institution at Stanford University

The Taube Family Foundation is a major supporter of the Hoover Institution, a public policy research center devoted to advanced studies of history, politics, economics and international affairs. Their libraries contain among the most important and widely accessed collections and archives of the 19th and 20th centuries.

Tad Taube is a long-time member of Hoover’s Board of Overseers and its Executive Committee. The Taube Family Foundation has sponsored such programs as the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Archives, the Commonwealth Club Archives and the Ronald Reagan Collections.

Taube Visiting Fellows are world-renowned scholars and policymakers such as political analyst Peter Berkowitz, Judge Robert Bork, American historian David Dalin, Reagan biographers Martin and Annelise Anderson, and former President of the Republic of Poland Aleksander Kwasniewski (pictured with his wife Jolanta and Tad and Dianne Taube).

Taube Hillel House at Stanford University

The Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture, in partnership with the Koret Foundation, provides major support for the Hillel campus at Stanford University. Taube Hillel House offers classes, speakers, film programs, social activities, community action activities and opportunities for worship and holiday celebration.

Taube Hillel House is a restoration of a historic building in the heart of the Stanford University campus that serves as a focus of Jewish community life and culture for students and faculty.

“Tad Taube’s philanthropy means far more than resources. He gives his time, his ideas and his personal commitment. He makes ideas and ideals come alive.”
The Honorable George P. Shultz, Former Secretary of State
Taube Tennis Center and Taube Family Tennis Stadium at Stanford University

In addition to serving as the practice and competition facility for the perennially powerful Stanford men's and women's teams, the Taube Tennis Center also is available for open play to Stanford students, faculty and staff. With the addition of the newly completed “Encina” complex, the Taube Tennis Center now boasts 17 outdoor courts, all with championship lighting, and is the home of the nationally acclaimed East Palo Alto Tennis and Tutoring Program.

In 2006, for the first time in NCAA history, Stanford hosted both the men's and women's NCAA Championships. Stanford hosted the women's NCAA Championships four previous times. The Taube Tennis Center has also served as the host site for the Fed Cup Finals in 1999, and the Siebel Champions Tour in 2000 and 2001. Since 1997, the Stadium has been home to the Bank of the West Classic, featuring outstanding players such as Steffi Graf, Monica Seles, Martina Hingis, Lindsay Davenport, Venus Williams, Justine Henin-Hardenne and Kim Clijsters.

Koret-Taube Conference Center of the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR)

This new building project, currently under construction, will provide a state-of-the-art meeting place, including Taube and Koret conference rooms and the Koret Garden Courtyard for SIEPR, which is Stanford University's preeminent research institute on economic policy issues facing the United States and other countries. SIEPR's mission to inform policy makers and to influence their decisions with long-term policy solutions is enabled through the publication of SIEPR Policy Briefs, which report seminal research by SIEPR faculty. The SIEPR Policy Briefs are underwritten by the Taube Family Foundation. Tad Taube was a founder of SIEPR in the 1980s and served as Chair of its Advisory Board.
Grantmaking Highlights

**Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life (Planned)**

The Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture and the Koret Foundation Funds jointly awarded $20 million in grants to establish the Taube-Koret Campus for Jewish Life. The combined gifts comprise the largest gift to the Campus campaign and are the single largest grants each of the two foundations has awarded in their support of Jewish community projects.

The Campus for Jewish Life is one of the largest projects ever attempted by the Bay Area's organized Jewish community. Currently in development, in Palo Alto, the Taube-Koret Campus will feature three premier Bay Area Jewish institutions: the Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Home of San Francisco and the Jewish Community Federation. Scheduled to open in 2008, this multi-facility project will serve the South Peninsula, which has one of the fastest-growing Jewish populations in the Bay Area.
**Taube Family & Friend Family**

**Rotunda, Palace of Fine Arts**

*The Taube Family Foundation* and the Friend Family Foundation helped rescue and preserve one of San Francisco's most recognized monuments. The Palace of Fine Arts, set on the City's Marina waterfront, is a historic landmark, architectural treasure and urban icon. The Palace has witnessed nearly 100 years of history and hosted a rich parade of world-class cultural events.

But for decades, its elegant rotunda and colonnades were deteriorating, seismically unsound and in desperate need of renovation. These structures comprise the single surviving monument of the 1915 Panama-Pacific Exhibition, which celebrated the opening of the Panama Canal and the phoenix-like rise of San Francisco from the ashes of the Earthquake and Fire of 1906. With their gifts, the two family foundations have helped ensure that the Palace will continue to awe and delight future generations.

**San Francisco Conservatory of Flowers in Golden Gate Park**

*The Taube Family Foundation* helped fund the restoration of the magnificent San Francisco Conservatory of Flowers, one of the city's most cherished landmarks. Prominently situated near the eastern end of Golden Gate Park, this gem of Victorian architecture, modeled after London's Kew Gardens, opened in 1879 and is North America's oldest existing public conservatory. A city, state and national historic landmark, the Conservatory survived the 1906 Earthquake to become an elegant piece of San Francisco's Victorian past and a spectacular living museum of rare and beautiful tropical plants.

“The Taube Foundation continues to reach people who are in great need. We rejoice because they touch the lives of people and something happens that becomes real.”

Rev. Cecil Williams,
CEO and Minister of Glide's National and International Ministries
Taube Family Program in Huntington's Disease at the Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases

In 2003, the Taube Family Foundation established three endowed funds with the University of California, San Francisco, to advance teaching and research on Huntington’s Disease: The Taube Family Seminars in Huntington’s Disease, the Taube Family Prize in Huntington’s Disease Research, and the Taube Family Chair in Huntington’s Disease Research at the UCSF’s Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases.

Through these programs, experts in the field are brought together to exchange information and ideas regarding their cutting-edge research on this devastating neurological disease. This synergy and support will help translate these discoveries into the development of viable treatments and point the way to a possible cure.

San Francisco Opera’s Puccini Festival and Broadcast Suite

Taube Philanthropies sponsor the San Francisco Opera’s Puccini Festival and the innovative Broadcast Suite, a new broadcast system initiative that fulfills the Opera’s mission to bring world-class opera to a wider audience.

Dianne Taube, Vice-Chairman of Taube Philanthropies, has served on the Opera Board of Directors since 2003. Tad Taube, Chairman of Taube Philanthropies, also serves as President of Koret Foundation Funds, which is cosponsoring the Broadcast Suite.
In the last several years, the San Francisco Zoo has undergone several renovations and expansions, with the support, among others, of the Taube Family Foundation and of Dianne Taube, a member of the Zoo’s Board of Directors.

Renovation highlights included the Friend and Taube Entry Village, offering a gift shop, restrooms and membership and information booths; the Koala Crossing, patterned after an Australian outback station; Gorilla World, one of the world’s only naturalistic gorilla exhibits; the African Savanna mixed-species exhibit; the Koret Animal Resource Center; and the restored Dentzel Carousel (below, the carousel with Dianne Taube and her sons).
Jewish Culture Festival, Krakow, Poland

EVERY SUMMER, THE JEWISH CULTURE FESTIVAL takes place on the theater stages in the heart of historic Krakow and in the synagogues, streets and squares of 14th-century Kazimierz, the former Jewish quarter. As the Festival’s chief American patron, the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture sponsors Festival performances, leads workshops and promotes the Festival as one of the Jewish world’s most important cultural destinations.

Founded in 1988, the Festival has earned a place in the Polish, European and global cultural landscape, attracting 15,000 Jews and non-Jews alike to performances of the Jewish arts and celebrations of the religious and secular learning that have their roots in this evocative Jewish space.

“Taube Philanthropies support people and programs that are turning Poland into a vibrant place of Jewish culture and renewal.”

THEODORE BIKE, PERFORMER
Museum of the History of Polish Jews, Warsaw, Poland

**The Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture** is one of seven Founding Donors of the Museum of the History of Polish Jews, a modern multimedia center of education and culture, currently in development on the historic memorial site where the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising began in April 1943. Visitors of all ages and nationalities will discover the history of the Jewish people and the wealth of its culture, created within the territory of Poland over a period of one thousand years.

Jewish Historical Institute, Warsaw, Poland

**The Jewish Historical Institute** houses Eastern Europe's major archive of pre-war Jewish history, dating back to ancient and medieval times. Its prodigious Holocaust collection includes the world's largest repository of documents from the Warsaw Ghetto, including the famed Dr. Emanuel Ringelblum “Underground Archives.”

The Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture supports the Institute's core programs and also seeds research fellowships and publishing ventures. The first Fellowship was awarded in January 2004. The Taube Center at the institute hosts international tour groups visiting Warsaw and provides half-day study sessions that introduce visitors to Warsaw's Jewish history and to the Institute's collections.
Both foundations of the Taube Philanthropies encourage Letters of Inquiry at any time through postal mail, fax or e-mail. (See contact information below.) These inquiries should include:

- A narrative that clearly identifies the project or problem that needs to be addressed (no more than 3 pages)
- Goals and activities of the program or project
- Estimated budget, project timeline and listing of anticipated impacts
- Grantee profile, brief organizational history, previous support from Taube Philanthropies
- Other financial contributors and grant amounts
- Board or advisory roster
- Financial statements
- Federal tax-exempt letter

Priorities for support by the Taube Philanthropies correspond generally to their guiding principles and apply to programs and projects in the areas of education, youth, public affairs, advancement of free enterprise, and community services. The Taube Philanthropies make grants throughout the year and there are no application deadlines. It is prudent, however, to submit a Letter of Inquiry at least three months prior to the need for philanthropic funds.

Limitations: Taube Philanthropies give priority to organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area, Israel and Poland. Generally no grants will be made to individuals, annual campaigns, research projects, hospitals, loans, endowments, start-ups or deficit financing. Applicants must be 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

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