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URJ, CCAR Supports HUC-JIR Leadership

We applaud the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion for affirming a thoughtful and responsible approach for moving forward. As partners with the College-Institute, we share a vision of a vibrant, dynamic and collaborative Reform Judaism. This action represents an exciting opportunity to unify the College-Institute into a single institution as part of a strong and thriving Reform Movement.

The outpouring of support and interest from lay leaders, rabbis and others demonstrates the significant impact the HUC-JIR has on our Reform Jewish community. The continued partnership among the Union for Reform Judaism, the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, together with our Affiliate organizations, enables the Reform Movement and Reform congregations to transform lives, provide religious and communal leadership and repair the world in which we live. We look forward to our ongoing work with the College-Institute to strengthen the institutions that embody and express the values of Reform Judaism.

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