July 23, 1946

My dear Mr. Singer,

It is quite all right for you to use that statement on your literature and stationery.

I will be very glad to visit the Home sometime in September, if you will remind me.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours very sincerely,
JACOB SINGER
PRESIDENT

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
29 Washington Square West
New York, New York

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

The reason you have not heard anything further regarding our plans for the "Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial building" since the time we first discussed this matter with you, is because of the fact that New York State had contemplated a housing project which not only was to include the site adjoining our Home where we had planned to erect our new building, but also the buildings we occupy at present. However, we have since been advised that this project has been abandoned, and we are now ready to proceed with our original plans.

As we told you when we saw you at your New York apartment several months ago with Joseph T. Higgins, we now have $85,000 in savings banks available to start this new building immediately. We can very easily raise the balance of the money necessary to erect a 5 or 6 story building, from thousands of our members, contributors, and through our Board of Directors and their friends. Thus, when this new structure is completed, we will be able to provide for an additional 125 to 150 aged and destitute fathers and mothers, besides the 300 already in the care of our Home.

I hope you will recall a remark you made when we visited you, and I think that I am almost quoting you verbatim, "My husband would have been very happy to have the Home of Old Israel dedicate their new building in his memory." I would appreciate it very much if you will be good enough to give us permission to use this statement on our literature and stationery. Of course, this is merely a suggestion, but I think these words are very appropriate, and I am anxiously awaiting your approval of it.

I know you are extremely busy and that there are many demands on your time, but I want to again extend an invitation to you to visit our Home, which is in the heart of the lower East Side, and see for yourself the work we are doing to provide for the aged in our care. It would be my pleasure and privilege to escort you through our buildings at any time you may set aside for a visit.

I trust you have been enjoying good health, and I want to thank you on behalf of the Officers and directorate of the Home of Old Israel for your past courtesies and consideration.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am, respectfully yours,

JACOB SINGER
PRESIDENT