

## BIRZEIT SOCIETY NATIONAL BOARD PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Burlingame, California - The National Board of Birzeit Society convened for its midyear annual meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>2024 to address critical issues affecting the Society and its members. The meeting, held at San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront, saw active participation from board members representing various chapters and groups within the Society. The National Board Members thank the Northern California Chapter for their outstanding efforts in hosting this important event.

During the two day-long sessions, the Board deliberated on a wide range of topics, including but not limited to membership growth strategies, educational initiatives, financial planning/budgeting, and community engagement and outreach efforts. Through collaborative discussions and insightful presentations, the board members shared their perspectives and expertise to formulate actionable strategies aimed at advancing the mission and objectives of Birzeit Society.

Of significant importance, the meeting concluded with the election of a new executive committee tasked with providing leadership and guidance to the Society in the upcoming term. The newly elected executive committee is comprised of individuals who demonstrate a deep commitment to Birzeit Society's values and possess the skills necessary to navigate the challenges and opportunities on the horizon.

"We are pleased to announce the formation of our new executive committee, which brings together a diverse group of leaders dedicated to steering Birzeit Society towards continued growth and success" remarked Mona Saadeh-Totah, President of the National Board. "Their collective experience and vision will be instrumental in shaping the future direction of our society."

The newly elected executive committee members are as follows:

Mona Saadeh, President Joe Abeid, 1<sup>st</sup>Vice President Samar Wahbe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Layan Kaileh, Secretary Suhail Kassis, Chief Financial Officer Faris Kassis, Historian

The National Board extends its gratitude to the outgoing executive committee members for their invaluable contributions and dedication during their tenure. The Board looks forward to working closely with the new executive committee to uphold the Society's mission.





About Birzeit Society: Birzeit Society is a charitable 501(c) (3) tax exempt organization. Founded in 1987, Birzeit Societyprovides humanitarian, educational and social support to the people of Birzeit. With a diverse membership base comprising professionals, experts, and enthusiasts, Birzeit Society strives to:

- 1. Plan for and execute a successful 16<sup>th</sup> National Convention which will be taking place in San Francisco, California fromJuly 3<sup>rd</sup> through July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024;
- 2. Reach all Birzeiti families and their friends around the world and urge them to become fully paid members;
- 3. Reach all Birzeiti youth above 18 years of age and establish a network for them to communicate and collaborate in their personal and professional lives;
- 4. Continue to raise funds for Gaza relief, needy families, and medical support;
- 5. Maintain and increase support for the scholarship fund;
- 6. Increase outreach and interaction with members, donors, and supporters, and
- 7. Continue to support Birzeit and its institutions.

For more information about Birzeit Society and its initiatives, please visit BirzeitSociety.org.