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Stroum JCC Selected by Rotary Club for Peace Pole Installation On International Human Solidarity Day

Wednesday, December 20, 2017—The Stroum Jewish Community Center is thrilled to announce the installation of a Peace Pole on its Mercer Island campus.

The Peace Pole is a hand-crafted monument that displays the message “May Peace Prevail on Earth” in several languages. There are tens of thousands of these sculptures in 180 countries around the world. The J’s sculpture features English, Hebrew, Spanish, Russian, French, Chinese, Hindi, and Arabic.

The JCC was selected as a location for the Peace Pole by the Mercer Island Rotary Club. The Rotary Club is installing an additional Peace Pole in Rotary Park.

Dana Weiner, SJCC Senior Director of Community Engagement, said the concept of the Peace Pole fits in perfectly with the SJCC’s mission. “The idea of welcoming others and creating a community of friends are both vital to our work at the J every day,” Weiner said. “We’re so honored to have a beautiful reminder of these values on display.”

The installation took place on Wednesday, December 20, which is International Human Solidarity Day, as declared by the UN General Assembly. It is a day to celebrate our unity in diversity and raise public awareness of the importance of solidarity in combatting poverty, hunger, and disease.

The dedication was attended by SJCC staff, children from the J’s Early Childhood School, members of the Mercer Island Rotary Club, and representatives from One MI, a local parent group that works to raise awareness of race, equity, and access.

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About the Stroum Jewish Community Center

The Stroum Jewish Community Center inspires connections to build community and ensure Jewish continuity. Together we create outstanding programs, partnerships and spaces that welcome everyone to learn, grow and celebrate Jewish life and culture. Learn more at www.sjcc.org.

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