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KEHILAT HANA HAR'S RABBI ELEVATED TO RABBI EMERITA

NEW HOPE, PA: Rabbi Sandy Roth, founding Rabbi of Kehilat HaNahar, the Little Shul by the River, has been elevated to the position of Rabbi Emerita. This elevation is in recognition of her far reaching impact and unbridled devotion and dedication to her synagogue. In this position Rabbi Roth will continue to provide ritual and spiritual leadership to the synagogue members.

Rabbi Sandy founded Kehilat HaNahar, a Reconstructionist synagogue, in 1994. Over the many years that she has been its spiritual leader, Rabbi Roth has brought her love of Judaism and its cultural, historical and ethical ideals to generations of its members including countless Shul School students who look to her as the intellectual bedrock of the community. She has touched non-members as well through her dedication of peace and inclusivity. This is seen through her active participation and recent leadership as President in the Delaware Valley Interfaith Council, a committed organization that recently hosted a highly successful Martin Luther King Day of Service in cooperation with many local religious organizations, Rabbi Sandy has also been a pioneer in the discipline of Jewish Meditation which brings many Delaware Valley residents to her special and unique Saturday morning services. She has in this connection been an active participant

in the renowned Jewish Spirituality Institute. She has also authored many articles and publications in the area of Jewish Ritual and Spirituality. Rabbi Sandy was also recently honored by Governor Edward Rendell during the Women's History Month ceremony in 2010 in Harrisburg. The entire Kehilat HaNahar congregation as well as the greater community congratulates Rabbi Sandy Roth on this elevation and extends to her their good wishes for much happiness.

Kehilat HaNahar is a Reconstructionist Synagogue in the heart of New Hope. In addition to diverse weekly traditional Shabbat services, the synagogue provides monthly family, children's, meditation and musical services, as well as a host of continuing education programs, and a rich and unique Shul school curriculum and adult education. For membership information, program details or directions, contact 215-862-1912, or visit www.kehilathanahar.org.

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