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**MAYOR MINER TO VISIT ISRAEL WITH DELEGATION OF  
AMERICAN MAYORS, PART OF AJC'S PROJECT  
INTERCHANGE**

*Mayor Miner Will Travel to Israel With the American Jewish Committee from  
September 9 through September 16 and Meet With Leaders From Public, Private  
Sectors*

*Miner: The US and Israel are Connected by our Shared Challenges and Shared  
Commitment to Civic Innovation*

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Mayor Stephanie A. Miner will travel to Israel from September 9 through September 16 as part of the American Jewish Committee (AJC) Project Interchange Summit of Mayors. Mayor Miner will be meeting with leaders from the public, private, and non-profit sectors across Israel.

“The United States has an important relationship with Israel and we are connected by our shared democracy and security challenges. But we are also linked by our shared commitment to civic innovation and entrepreneurship. Our urban leaders have found common ground that I am excited to explore,” said **Syracuse Mayor Stephanie A. Miner**. “I look forward to meeting with my counterparts and discussing the important work we have done to grow our economy and address our historic challenges – like infrastructure – with mayors and civic leaders across Israel. I hope to learn more about new opportunities to collaborate with our colleagues in the Middle East.”

In Israel, Mayor Miner will meet with leaders of both local and national governments in Israel and share ideas about how to address shared challenges, including security and economic development. The Mayor will meet with the mayors of Israeli and Palestinian cities, including Ron Huldai, the Mayor of Tel-Aviv and Musa Hadid, Mayor of Ramallah. As part of the program, the mayors will have a welcome dinner with US Ambassador David Friedman.

Mayors attending the summit will include Richard Berry of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Bob Buckhorn of Tampa, Florida; Christopher Cabaldon of West Sacramento, California; Hardie Davis of Augusta, Georgia; Mark Holland of Kansas City, Kansas; John Giles of Mesa, Arizona; Jeri Muoio of West Palm Beach, Florida; Betsy Price of Fort Worth, Texas; and Madeline Rogero of Knoxville, Tennessee. Travel for all the mayors is funded by the AJC.

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**About Project Interchange**

Project Interchange, an educational institute of AJC, brings opinion leaders and policy makers to Israel for a week of intensive travel and learning. Participants experience Israeli society, connect with their counterparts and learn about Israel's extensive contributions in their fields. Founded in 1982, Project Interchange maintains an alumni network of over 6,000 influential voices spanning more than 89 countries. Project Interchange relies on donors who support its unique purpose and the measurable results its programs yield.

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