

Resolution to Grant Life Membership to Mike Fuld
Submitted to NFTY General Board at NFTY Convention 2017 Asefah
February 16, 2017

WHEREAS Article VI, Section D of the NFTY Constitution states “The NFTY General Board may honor any individual or individuals by granting them Life Membership in NFTY”; and,

WHEREAS individuals considered for NFTY Life Membership must meet the following criteria:

1. The individual must have committed no less than seven years of direct service to NFTY at the North American level so that all of NFTY is tangibly impacted, in some way, by the gifts of this individual.
2. The individual must have demonstrated a combination of hands-on and support-role membership.
3. The individual must embody NFTY’s Thirteen Principles, and be seen as a role model to NFTY’s constituents; and,

WHEREAS Mike has gone beyond every piece of criteria; and,

WHEREAS Mike Fuld began his service to NFTY and Kutz Camp in the summer of 2004, and since that time, over the past twelve years, has contributed to the growth and depth of NFTY and Kutz Camp through his roles as Resident Advisor, NFTY Intern, NFTY-NEL College Staff Coordinator, Co-teacher of the Regional Board Leadership Track at Kutz Camp, Kutz Camp Program Director, NFTY Program Associate, Kutz Camp Assistant Director, NFTY-NAR Regional Advisor, NFTY-NAR Regional Director of Youth Engagement, NFTY Convention Staff Coordinator, and NFTY-NAR Senior Regional Director,

WHEREAS Mike Fuld has, on local, regional, North American, and international levels, demonstrated a commitment to the empowerment of Reform Jewish Teens for the benefit of their personal growth and the growth of their communities, and

WHEREAS Mike Fuld has taught countless Jewish leaders to embrace the words "This I believe" and inspired them to pursue their hopes and passions without fear, positioned scores of future Jewish leaders through his proclamation of *Da Lifnei Mi Atah Omed- Know Before Whom You Stand*, and modeled the very best of *Hanhagah L’Dorot - Generational Leadership* - by creating communities that value learning from the past and ensuring a vibrant future by identifying and grooming successors, and

WHEREAS Mike started a temple youth group while in college that has grown under his support to be a thriving one, and has taught the importance of “being comfortable with silence” in order to push people’s thinking, and challenged leaders to think bigger and more deeply about their visions and ideas, thereby creating a space where teens felt genuinely safe and confident to be who we are, and

WHEREAS Mike has found unique ways to leave his indelible mark on our movement, by created a lasting pocket of Raven's purple and Oriole's orange in the New York metropolitan area, fostering a community that never needs to drink Pepsi because he always has a supply of Coke, helping teens explore new pathways in creating their Jewish Identity by leading nature walks to New Jersey, celebrating every birthday for the last twelve years at a NFTY Veida or Convention, pioneering Mike Fuld’s Delivery Service for the betterment of his colleagues, understanding the sanctity of a good WHATYSATY conversation, and taking to heart and making a reality the URJ’s concept of “reimagining Jewish life,” by meeting his wife while working at the Kutz Camp,

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that Mike Fuld receive the distinction of NFTY Lifetime Membership, NFTY’s highest honor, in accordance with the service and impact he has had on thousands of teen leaders during his twelve remarkable years of service, and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that this honor extend to all spellings of Mike’s name, including but not limited to Michael Erica Fuld and Mike Flud.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Kamen, NFTY-NY Area President 2016-2017
Max Abrams, NFTY-NY Area President 2015-2016
Sam Barnett, NFTY-NY Area President 2014-2015
Jack Nienaltow, NFTY-NAR President 2013-2014
Bernie Birnbaum, NFTY-NAR President 2012-2013
Lauren Filler, NFTY-NAR President 2011-2012
Jake Meiner, NFTY-NAR President 2010-2011

Co- Signed,

Max Heller, NFTY-NY Area PVP 2016-2017
Sam Pekats, NFTY-NY Area RCVP 2016-2017
Madeline Mardiks, NFTY-NY Area SAVP 2016-2017
Erica Gimpel, NFTY-NY Area MVP 2016-2017
Rachel Kalter, NFTY-NY Area CVP 2016-2017
Samantha Schnall, NFTY-NY Area LI Director 2016-2017

Zachary Armine-Klein, NFTY-NY Area NYC Director 2016-17

Alice Auerbacher, NFTY-NY Area W/F Director 2016-17

Andrew Oestreicher, NFTY MVP 2016-2017

Beth Rodin, Managing Director of NFTY

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Imogene Winkleman, NFTY- NY Area Advisor

Melissa Frey, Director of the URJ Kutz Camp

The hundreds of teen leaders Mike has had an impact on.