

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM ☐ Original ☐ Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Donald George Barber
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** ☒ None
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: June 19, 2026 Return: June 28, 2026
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** ☒ None
4. Departure City: Austin, TX Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: AIEF (American Israel Education Foundation)
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: The seminar dealt with critical security challenges facing Israel and the region. Participants included Israeli officials; military leaders; heads of non-governmental organizations; and prominent academics and journalists. Firsthand witness of the diversity of Israeli culture, politics, and society. Visits to historic and religious sites in Jerusalem and the Galilee.

7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. ☒ a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. ☒ the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. ☒ I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 7/13/2026

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Jake Ellzey Date: 7/13/2026

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ **Original** ☐ **Amendment**

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: American Israel Education Foundation, Inc. (AIEF)

2. Travel Destination(s): Israel

3. Date of Departure: June 19, 2026 Date of Return: June 28, 2026

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Donald George Barber

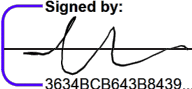
Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$11,630.50	\$2,736.70	\$1,585.53	\$3,364.80
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. ☒ All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment.
Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Signed by: _____ Date: 7/9/2026 | 16:25 EDT

Name: Rachel Hirsch 3634BCB643B8439... Title: Chief Legal Counsel

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation, Inc. (AIEF)

☐ **I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: 251 H Street, NW Washington D.C., 20001

Telephone: (202) 246-0519 Email: rhirsch@aiefdn.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
Republican Leaders
June 19-28, 2026

Addendum

4. List of Invitees

As staff to a U.S. Representative, this invitee is consistently engaged in issue areas relevant to the U.S. – Israel relationship. These issues include U.S. foreign policy, U.S. appropriations, refugee and immigrant issues, homeland security, cybersecurity, and veteran’s affairs. These issues—along with issues more broadly related to the strategic partnership between the U.S. and Israel—will be explored during the AIEF Israel Seminar, which is focused on educating congressional staff on events throughout the region by providing on-the-ground context.

1. Don Barber, Executive Director, For Caucus, Caucus Co-Chairs: Rep. Don Davis (NC-1) and Rep. Jake Ellzey (TX-6)

8. Breakdown of other expenses

Other Cost	Cost per participant
Security	\$1,050.00
Speaker Fees	\$750.00
Room Rentals and Setup	\$325.00
Hotels for contract staff	\$300.00
Tour Guide/Yad Vashem Guide	\$240.00
Meals for contract staff and guests	\$230.00
Airport Assistance	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	\$50.00
Photography	\$30.00
Transportation for contract staff and speakers	\$20.00
Entrance Fees	\$20.00
Tips	\$10.00
Total per participant=	\$3,125.00

16. Hotels (continued)

City	Hotel Name	Hotel Cost	Reason for Selecting
Newark, NJ	Marriott Liberty Newark Airport	\$241.00	Location and affordability

The participant will be spending one night at the Marriott Liberty Newark Airport in order to attend a full day orientation in Newark on June 20. This amount is included in the total hotel cost.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: DONALD GEORGE BARBER
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)/American Israel Education Foundation, Inc.
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: ISRAEL
4. a. Date of Departure: JUNE 19, 2026 Date of Return: JUNE 28, 2026
b. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes ☐ No ☐ Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes ☐ No ☒ Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes ☒ No ☐ *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
Job Title: Executive Director, For Country Caucus (bipartisan, exclusively military veterans, focus on national security, national defense, foreign relations, and national service). SINCE THE TRIP WILL FOCUS ON ISRAEL-U.S. RELATIONS, IT SYNCHS WITH MY RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO FOREIGN RELATIONS, NATIONAL SECURITY, AND NATIONAL DEFENSE.
9. **Yes ☐ No ☒ Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____

Date: 5/21/2026

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
American Israel Education Foundation, Inc.
2. ☒ I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. ☒ The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
 - b. ☐ The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
 - c. ☐ The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____
Please see attached.
5. Yes ☐ No ☒ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of Departure: June 19, 2026 Date of Return: June 28, 2026
7. a. City of departure: Austin, Texas
b. Destination(s): Israel
c. City of return: Austin, Texas
8. **Check only one.** I represent that
 - a. ☐ The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
 - b. ☒ The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
 - c. ☐ The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 b. ☐ I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 c. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 d. ☐ I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. ☒ Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. ☒ I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
 b. ☐ *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

AIEF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a charitable and educational mission which includes, among other things, educating policy makers and opinion leaders about the U.S.-Israel relationship. AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing, and funding all aspects of this trip.

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☒ Car ☐ Other ☐ (specify: _____)
 b. Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☒ First ☐ Charter ☒ Other ☒ (specify: charter bus in Israel)
 c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted: _____

14. ☒ I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. ☒ The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
 b. ☐ The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name:	Mamilla Hotel	City:	Jerusalem	Cost Per Night:	\$434.00
Reason(s) for Selecting:	Location and affordability				
Hotel Name:	The David Intercontinental Hotel	City:	Tel Aviv	Cost Per Night:	\$428.00
Reason(s) for Selecting:	Location and affordability				
Hotel Name:	Magdala Hotel	City:	Tiberias	Cost Per Night:	\$332.00
Reason(s) for Selecting:	Location and affordability				

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**American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
Republican Leaders
June 19 – 28, 2026**

Final Itinerary

Friday, June 19, 2026

7:07 PM	United #1711 departs Austin for Donald Barber
11:59 PM	United #1711 arrives Newark for Donald Barber
12:00 AM	Overnight at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark

Saturday, June 20, 2026

11:00 AM – 12:45 PM	Opening lunch -at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark
12:45 – 2:30 PM	History of the State of Israel -at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark
3:00 – 4:00 PM	The Timeline of the U.S.-Israel Relationship -at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark
4:00 – 5:00 PM	Israeli Politics 101 -at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Regional and Geopolitical Trends -at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott Hotel, Newark
6:00 PM	Depart
6:30 PM	Arrive at Newark Liberty International Airport, Newark
11:55 PM	El Al #26 departs Newark for Donald Barber

Sunday, June 21, 2026

5:20 PM	El Al #26 arrives Tel Aviv for Donald Barber
6:00 PM	Transfer to Jerusalem and check-in to the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

8:15 PM	Depart
8:30 – 10:00 PM	Welcome Dinner and Orientation
10:15 PM	Depart
10:30 PM	Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

Monday, June 22, 2026

7:00 – 7:45 AM	Breakfast on own -at the main dining hall
8:00 – 8:15 AM	Orientation -at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
8:15 – 9:15 AM	State of the Nation: This Moment in Israel With Matti Friedman Journalist and Author -at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
9:30 AM	Depart
10:00 – 1:00 PM	Strategic Survey of Jerusalem: The Holy Basin Guided survey through the Old City of Jerusalem ▪ City of David ▪ Robinson's Arch ▪ Western Wall ▪ Church of the Holy Sepulchre
1:00 PM	Depart
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Lunch -at Luciana Restaurant, Jerusalem
2:15 PM	Depart
2:30 – 3:15 PM	Break
3:30 – 4:30 PM	Israel Votes: A Primer for the Upcoming Election -at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
4:45 PM	Depart for the Knesset

5:45 – 6:00 PM	Visit the Plenary
6:00 – 6:30 PM	Israeli Democracy in Action, Part I: A View from the Opposition Meeting with the Honorable Shelly Tal Meron Member of Knesset, Yesh Atid Party -at the Jerusalem Hall, the Knesset
6:45 PM – 7:15 PM	Israeli Democracy in Action, Part II: A View from the Coalition Meeting with the Honorable Ohad Tal Member of Knesset, Religious Zionism Party -at the Jerusalem Hall, the Knesset
7:30 PM	Depart for dinner
7:45 – 9:45 PM	Dinner and Discussion -at Dolphin Yam Restaurant
9:45 PM	Depart for hotel
10:00 PM	Overnight at Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

6:00 AM	Optional: Run JLM
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast on own - at the main dining hall
8:15 – 9:15 AM	The Changing Middle East: Regional Strategic Overview Briefing by Brig. Gen. (Res.) Nitzan Nuriel Former Director, Counter-Terrorism Bureau at Prime Minister's Office -at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
9:30 AM	Depart
10:00 – 11:30 AM	The Significance of the Holocaust in Israeli Society Visit to Yad Vashem, The World Holocaust Remembrance Center
11:45 PM	Depart
12:00 – 12:45 PM	Lunch -at Hatzet Ein Karem Restaurant, Jerusalem

- 1:00 – 2:00 PM **The Plight of Palestinian Christians**
 With Pastor Naim Khoury
 -at Hatzer Ein Karem Restaurant, Jerusalem
- 2:15 PM Depart
- 3:00 – 4:30 PM **China, Iran and Great Power Conflict**
 Meeting with Haviv Rettig-Gur
 Political Correspondent, The Times of Israel
 -at the Vert Hotel, Jerusalem
- 4:45 PM Depart
- 6:00 – 6:30 PM Check-in to the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
- 6:45 – 7:45 PM **Pax-Silica: AI and the Future of the U.S.-Israel Relationship**
 Meeting with Hadas Lorber
 Director of the US-Israel Project,
 The Institute for National Security Studies, INSS
 -at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
- 8:00 – 10:00 PM **Israeli Tech at the Forefront of Global Challenges**
 Dinner with:
 ▪ Michelle Brocco, WaterTech Consultant
 ▪ Michael Fiman, Vice President of AI Algorithms, AISAP
 -at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
- 10:30 PM Overnight at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

- 7:00 AM Breakfast on own
 -at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
- 8:30 AM Depart
- 8:30 – 9:30 AM **Enroute Briefing: The History of Gaza, 1948-October 6**
- 10:00 – 11:00 AM **October 7, Part I: Bearing Witness**
 Experience October 7 through the eyes of Israeli survivors
 – at Israel-Is Center, Sderot
- 11:00 – 11:15 AM **Strategic Briefing at the Gaza Border**
 -Tatzpit Kobi, Sderot

11:30 AM	Depart
12:00 – 12:45 PM	October 7, Part II: The Nova Party Visit the site of the Nova Music Festival With Ohad Seelenfreund, Nova massacre survivor -at Reim Forest
1:00 PM	Depart
1:30 – 2:15 PM	Lunch -at Hummus Shel Techina Restaurant, Tel Aviv
2:30 PM	Depart
4:00 – 5:00 PM	U.S.-Israel Missile Defense Cooperation Briefing with Brig. Gen. (Res.) Doron Gavish -at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
5:00 – 6:00 PM	Break
6:30 – 7:30 PM	Israel's Quest for Peace With Einat Wilf Former Member of Knesset and Author -at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv
7:45 PM	Depart
8:00 – 10:00 PM	Citizen-Soldiers: The IDF in Israeli Society Dinner with IDF Reservists ▪ First Sergeant (Res.) Ilai Patt ▪ Noga Ventura, Reservist ▪ Dror Mushinsk, Reservist -at Goshen Restaurant
10:15 PM	Depart
10:30 – 10:45 PM	The Civilian Impact of the Iran War Visit missile impact site -Tel Aviv
10:35 PM	Depart
11:00 PM	Overnight at the David Intercontinental Hotel, Tel Aviv

Thursday, June 25, 2026

7:00 AM	Breakfast on own -at the main dining hall
8:00 AM	Depart
8:30 – 10:00 AM	Empowering Our Heroes: Israel's Wounded Veterans' Center -at Beit HaLochem
10:15 AM	Depart
11:00 AM–12:30 PM	The West Bank: A Situational Assessment Briefing with Col. (Ret.) Miri Eisin Senior Fellow, International Institute for Counterterrorism (ICT) -at Alfei Menashe Moadon
12:30 PM	Depart
1:15 – 2:00 PM	Lunch -at Brisket Bar Restaurant, Hadera
2:15 PM	Depart
2:30 – 4:00 PM	En Route Briefing: Lebanon and Hezbollah
4:45 – 6:15 PM	Israel's Northern Front: Lebanon and Hezbollah Strategic Briefing and Overlook by Lt. Col. (ret.) Sarit Zahavi Director Alma Research Center -at Malkia
6:30 PM	Depart
7:15 PM	Check-in to the Magdala Hotel, Tiberias
8:25 PM	Depart for Dinner
8:30 – 10:30 PM	Dinner and Discussion -at Magdalena Restaurant
10:30 PM	Overnight at the Magdala Hotel, Tiberias

Friday, June 26, 2026

7:30 AM	Breakfast on own -at the main dining hall
8:15 AM	Depart
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Historical Significance of the Sea of Galilee Guided Survey of Christian Sites ▪ Mount of Beatitudes ▪ Capernaum
10:15 AM	Depart for Nazareth
11:00 AM–12:30 PM	Shared Society in Times of Crisis Meeting with Ibrahim Abu Ahmed Arab-Israeli Activist and Writer -at Michel House, Nazareth
12:45 PM	Depart
1:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch -at Tishrin Restaurant
2:00 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
5:30 – 6:30 PM	Inside the U.S.-Israel Relationship With the Honorable David Brownstein Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy -at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
6:30 PM	Check-in to the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
7:45 PM	Depart
8:00 – 10:00 PM	Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem Traditional Sabbath Eve dinner hosted by Rivka and Martin Rapaport
9:45 PM	Depart
10:00 PM	Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

Saturday, June 27, 2026

6:00 AM	Optional: Morning Mass Church of the Holy Sepulchre
7:30 AM	Breakfast on own -at the main dining hall
9:00 AM	Depart
9:00 – 10:00 AM	En-route Briefing: The Strategic Importance of Jordan-Israel Relations
10:00 – 11:00 AM	The Jewish Exile Begins: Geopolitics of the Roman Empire Guided visit of the Masada National Archeological Park -at the Masada National Archeological Park
11:15 AM	Depart
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM	Exploration of the Dead Sea Region -at the Herbert Samuel Hod Hotel, Ein Bokek
1:00 – 1:40 PM	Lunch -at the Herbert Samuel Hod Hotel, Ein Bokek
1:45 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
3:15 – 5:15 PM	The View from Mount Scopus: Coexistence of Abrahamic Religions
6:00 PM	Check out of the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem
6:15 PM	Depart
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Closing Dinner: Reflections on the Week -at Pizza Porto Restaurant, Jerusalem
9:15 PM	Depart
9:30 PM	Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv

Sunday, June 28, 2026

12:05 AM	El Al #3 departs Tel Aviv for Donald Barber
4:55 AM	El Al #3 arrives JFK for Donald Barber

8:35 AM Delta #5750 departs JFK for Donald Barber

10:02 AM Delta #5750 arrives DCA for Donald Barber

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June 8, 2026

Mr. Donald Barber
Office of the Honorable Jake Ellzey
1721 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Barber:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel,¹ scheduled for June 19 to 28, 2026, sponsored by American Israel Education Foundation.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$525 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$525] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Guest". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Michael Guest
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark DeSaulnier". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

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4. List of Invitees

1. Don Barber, Executive Director, For Caucus, Caucus Co-Chairs: Rep. Don Davis (NC-1) and Rep. Jake Ellzey (TX-6)

8. Breakdown of other expenses

Other Cost	Cost per participant
Security	\$1,092.71
Speaker Fees	\$780.25
Room Rentals and Setup	\$367.71
Meals for contract staff and guests	\$327.48
Hotels for contract staff	\$294.12
Tour Guide/Yad Vashem Guide	\$251.25
Airport Assistance	\$149.21
Entrance Fees	\$42.88
Transportation for contract staff and speakers	\$18.35
Photography	\$18.17
Miscellaneous	\$17.08
Tips	\$5.59
Total per participant=	\$3,364.80