

Alabama-Israel Task Force

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The Vision - Bridges and Brotherhood

Mission - The Alabama-Israel Task Force (AITF) seeks to provide a **bridge** and catalyst for **broader** cooperative efforts and help cultivate an even **stronger** and expanding state-to-state **relationship** between Alabama and Israel for the **mutual benefit** of their people.

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Deputy Speaker of Israeli Knesset hosted in North Alabama for Alabama-Israel Leadership Gala 2016

March 8, 2016 (Huntsville, AL) - The Alabama-Israel Task Force (AITF) will be hosting in Alabama several distinguished leaders from Israel, including the Deputy Speaker of the Israeli Knesset, the Honorable **Mr. Hilik Bar**, and the Founder of the Israel Leadership Institute (ILI), **Mr. Eeki Elner** for a special **Alabama-Israel Leadership Gala** event in North Alabama on Saturday, April 9th 2016 at 7pm. The evening is a celebration of the friendship between Alabama and Israel, hosting and honoring leaders from each state in a significant expression of support.

The Gala is a ticketed event that is also a charitable benefit for the Alabama-Israel Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response (EPDR) initiative with the **Israel Leadership Institute (ILI)** in Sderot-Israel. It will also include several **Israel Leadership Award 2016** presentations from the Steering Committee and Board of Directors of the Israel Leadership Institute (ILI) based in Sderot. The Israel Leadership Institute (ILI) is one of Israel's most advanced and creative leadership schools. The ILI's leadership and board of directors include some of Israel's most distinguished leaders across a variety of disciplines.

The recipients of the award will **be recognized for their exceptional work and leadership on behalf of the Alabama-Israel relationship**. Among those are Alabama State Senator Arthur Orr (Decatur, AL) and State Representative Victor Gaston (Mobile, AL) who were involved in the strong Alabama Resolution (SJR6) denouncing the BDS movement and reaffirming support for Israel, just signed by the Alabama Governor in February. Award recipients also include Pastor David Nelson (Rock Family Worship Center) from the Alabama Christian community being recognized, and Dr. Richard Brooks (Jewish Federation of Huntsville and North Alabama) from the Alabama Jewish community being recognized. The Deputy Speaker of the Israeli Knesset will present each of them the award personally.

The Alabama-Israel Task Force (AITF) seeks to provide a bridge and catalyst for broader cooperative efforts and help cultivate an even stronger and expanding state-to-state relationship between Alabama and Israel for the mutual benefit of their people. For more on the Task Force visit www.AITF-Web.org, [facebook.com/AlabamaisraelTaskForce](https://www.facebook.com/AlabamaisraelTaskForce), or [@_AITF_](https://twitter.com/_AITF_) on Twitter.

For **Gala Tickets, Map, and Details** please visit: www.AITF-Web.org

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