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Dr. Haim Ben-Shahar  
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Dear Dr. Ben-Shahar:

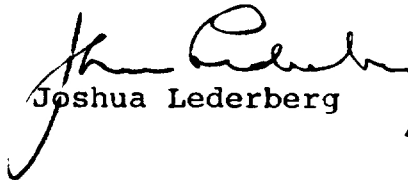
What a pleasure and honor it was to receive your communication of February 6 indicating the award by Tel-Aviv University of the degree Ph.D. Honoris Causa.

It would give me the greatest pleasure to accept. I regret that the convocational schedules of your university and mine tend to conflict; and for that reason it may be necessary to try to identify another time, besides the month of June, during which that award can be conferred.

I hope I may take the liberty of volunteering to you any prospective occasions when I may anticipate being in Israel, and especially for a more leisurely visit.

Please communicate my gratitude to your faculty for this great honor. I regret only that my parents -- who were born and died in Israel -- did not themselves survive to be able to share the joy of the occasion.

Yours sincerely,

  
Joshua Lederberg

*my father in Yafa*