

Mayor Declares Hadera as Charlotte Sister City

Mayor Pat McCrory signed a declaration on Tuesday, October 28, declaring that Hadera, Israel, is to officially become the eighth sister city of Charlotte. In making the proclamation, McCrory spoke in great detail about his comfort and familiarity with the state of

Israel, citing his personal experiences on a visit there in the mid-1990s.

The proclamation was signed at local Charlotte restaurant Nolia, located at 366 N. Caswell in Elizabeth. Joining McCrory were Charlotte City Council members Mayor Pro-tem Susan



Burgess, Nancy Carter, Warren Cooksey, and Andy Dulin, along with guests from the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte and the newly formed Charlotte International Cabinet, which was formed to serve as a forum for international issues and to advocate to local government on behalf of the international communities, organiza-

tions and businesses of the city of Charlotte.

McCrory said Hadera offers opportunities for business relationships as well as school and cultural exchanges. He also cited Hadera's energy-saving initiatives and suggested that Charlotte and Hadera can work together in such endeavors.

Partnership 2000 Chair

Susan Jacobs spoke about the history of the partnership with Hadera and the Jewish community, acknowledging the many exchanges and relationships that have resulted from the eight-year association. McCrory will be joined by the mayor of Hadera in late December/early January for the official signing ceremony. ☆

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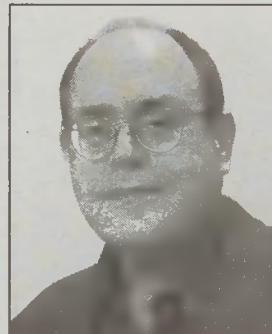
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Elliot Jager of The Jerusalem Post to Speak on December 17

The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte's Community Relations Council (JCRC) welcomes Elliot Jager, Op-Ed editor and columnist for *The Jerusalem Post*, to Charlotte on Wednesday evening, December 17, at 7 PM in the Sam Lerner Center for Cultural Arts at Shalom Park. Jager's topic is "Security and Political Briefing: What military, security and political insiders are watching." The event is free and open to the public.

Elliot Jager was born and raised on New York's Lower East Side where he attended the ultra-Orthodox yeshivot Chasan Sofer and the Mesiftha Tifereth Jerusalem high-school.

Jager made aliya in 1997 and (after working as a legal and technical writer in Tel Aviv) took his first job at *The Jerusalem Post* in 1999. Over the years he has managed the



Elliot Jager

www.elliottjager.com. In April 2008, he was appointed the newspaper's editorial page editor.

Jager says, "Living in Israel for some eleven years has changed my perspective on how I understand Jewish civilization, the Arab-Israel conflict and Israeli society. To paraphrase Ariel Sharon, 'What you can see from here, you can't see from there.'"

Jager holds a BA in Judaic Studies, an MA in International Relations and a PhD in Political Science from New York University.

The Jewish Community Relations Council promotes the interest of the Charlotte Jewish community by creating working relationships with our neighbors and serving as the collective voice of the Jewish community.

For more information about Elliot Jager, please contact the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte at 704-944-6757, or visit the website, www.jewishcharlotte.org. ☆

paper's extraordinary photo archives, edited the Friday "B" Section (now called "FrontLines"), was the paper's literary editor, and is now the op-ed editor responsible for the daily and Friday comment and opinion section. He also writes a column called "Power and Politics" and does the occasional book review. Some of his more recent work is available at

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