



## **Rabbi Joe Kanofsky**

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Rabbi Joe Kanofsky was appointed Rabbi of Kehillat Shaarei Torah of Toronto in July 2009 and has served as consultant to UJA Federation and other major Jewish organizations. He was a teaching fellow for Professor Elie Wiesel at Boston University where he received his Ph.D. in Comparative Literature. As a Wexner Graduate Fellow at the Rabbinical College of America he received ordination from the late Sephardic Chief Rabbi of Israel. Rabbi Joe directed the Poland office of the Ronald S. Lauder Foundation the early 2000's and was a volunteer rabbi in Warsaw's Nozyk Synagogue. He has been faculty for the Wexner Heritage Foundation, addressed a plenary session of the JFNA General Assembly, and lectured in synagogues, universities and other community settings. He is currently a board member of the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations, and recently addressed a global conference of the Lutheran World Federation. Rabbi Joe's scholarly and popular articles have appeared in the US, Canada, Germany, Poland, and Israel; including chapters on Judaism for a German children's book series. Joe lives in Toronto with his wife Sharona, a professor at the University of Toronto, and their children.