



**THE PRESIDENT**

Jerusalem, February 18, 2021

Adar 6, 5781

Ms. Faina Kukliansky  
Chairwoman  
The Jewish community of Lithuania

Dear Ms. Kukliansky,

I wish to express my deep appreciation for sending me the special-edition coin, celebrating the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the birth of the Vilna Gaon. I was especially moved by this gesture both as the President of the State of Israel and as a proud descendent of the Vilna Gaon.

This gift, indeed, reflects the strong and everlasting ties between we, Jews in the State of Israel and Jewish communities in the diaspora, and reflects the historic ties between Israel and Lithuania.

I send you and all the members of the community my warm greetings from Jerusalem.

From a proud "Litvak", sincerely,

Reuven (Ruv) Rivlin