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Florida Loves Israel Founders Expand Into Nation-Wide Organization: Future Leaders for Israel

~The highly recognized pro-Israel conference for students by students is expanding to become “Future Leaders For Israel”~

Tallahassee, FL – As the Florida Loves Israel Conference prepares for its third annual conference, its founders unveil their plans to expand their reach to different colleges and universities across the country. Under the name “Future Leaders for Israel” (FLI), they hope to cultivate new, unique pro-Israel leadership within several different states simultaneously.

Florida State University students from Noles for Israel founded the Florida Loves Israel conference in 2011 in an effort to unite and educate pro-Israel students from around the state of Florida. Every year a different Florida school is selected to host the conference. FLI was ranked the #1 Israel event for visibility, support and impact by the Israel on Campus Coalition between 2010-2012 among over 2,300 events on 180 campuses nationwide. Upon a successful second conference in April 2013 at The University of Florida, the founders were so impressed with the results of these conferences that they expanded their idea to become Future Leaders for Israel (the new FLI).

Future Leaders for Israel (FLI) is a student-founded, student-led, student-focused organization that creates the “Gesher” (bridge) between pro-Israel students and groups on college campuses. Their mission is to facilitate and produce conferences similar to Florida Loves Israel, cross-campus programming, and philanthropy that will connect and unite these students and groups to learn from scholars, experts and each other about all aspects of Israeli life and culture, including history, geography, politics, military, security, food, dance and music.

FLI will offer the host schools the tools necessary to plan and execute their own conferences and cross-campus programming along with personal consulting from the FLI founders and funding for programming. FLI will also provide the host schools and participants with a strong network of pro-Israel leaders across the country. But most importantly, FLI will help both host schools and participants develop key leadership skills in the advocacy world.

Florida Loves Israel has had its own tremendous impact on campus advocacy, however Future Leaders for Israel hopes to make even more of an impact and change the way students relate to Israel. The Florida Atlantic University pro-Israel group Owl’s for Israel has been selected to host the third annual FLI Conference. Upon FLI’s expansion, Pennsylvania is already planning its own Future Leaders for Israel Conference with the help of FLI representatives. FLI hopes to integrate even more schools and states in the upcoming years.

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