

## University of Haifa

The Senate of the University of Haifa, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the constitution of the University and in accordance with the recommendations of the President and the Executive Committee

hereby confers upon

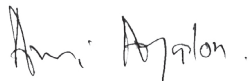
**Lee Kohrman**

the degree of

## Doctor of Philosophy, Honoris Causa

In recognition of his commitment and contribution to Israeli society and the Jewish people through leadership, public work and setting an example to others; on his support of various projects in education in general and higher education in particular, through an understanding that it is education of the younger generation that will enable social mobility and reduce inequalities; on fostering values of equality and equal opportunities and for his contribution to the Ethiopian community in Israel in general, and the children of the community in particular; and on his longstanding friendship with the University of Haifa.

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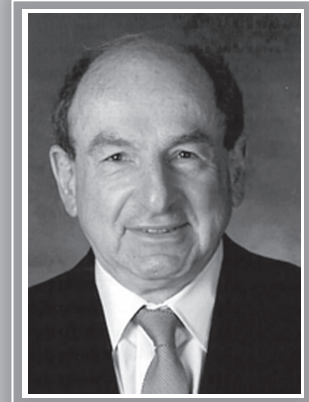
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## LEE KOHRMAN

Lee Kohrman, a lifelong resident of Cleveland, Ohio, is a graduate of Harvard College (1949) and of Harvard Law School (1953). After two years of service in the United States Army, Mr. Kohrman joined his father (of blessed memory) in his firm, now known as Kohrman, Jackson & Krantz LLC. The firm, which specializes in organizational structure, family estates, corporate and philanthropic law, is regarded as a leading and successful firm in these fields.

Alongside his business activity, Mr. Kohrman is involved in the world Jewish community with emphasis on the flourishing of American Jewry. He is a trustee of the American Joint Distribution Committee, a life trustee of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland, a past chair of the Center for Jewish Education in Cleveland, and more.

Mr. Kohrman has always invested considerable time, energy and resources in philanthropic activity, a great deal of it devoted to support of the social worldwide fabric of Israel.

Lee Kohrman serves as President of the David and Inez Myers Foundation, which donates about eight million dollars to social causes every year. He is an active member of the executive council of the Negev Foundation, which is dedicated to improving the quality of life of the Negev's inhabitants through agricultural, technological, economic and environmental sustainability. He is the immediate Past Chairman of the Ethiopian National Project, which concerns itself with the integration of Ethiopian Jews into Israeli society, and connects Jewish organizations around the world with this community in Israel. He was also one of the founders of Cleveland's Federation/JDC program PACT – Parents and Children Together, which works to integrate children of Ethiopian origin into the Israeli education system. Mr. Kohrman has served as Chair of the Myers – JDC Brookdale Institute of Jerusalem.

With honorary doctorates in Philosophy from Bar-Ilan University and Tel Aviv University, Mr. Kohrman is a long-time supporter of the higher education system in the United States and in Israel.

The David and Inez Myers Foundation, which Mr. Kohrman heads, has historically earmarked donations to the University of Haifa for scholarships to students of minority sectors in Israeli society. Among the programs that have benefitted are community leadership programs for Jewish and Arab students, as well as programs dedicated to promoting academic leadership within the Druze and Ethiopian communities. The Foundation has also more recently lent its support to a program dedicated to the recruitment and funding of scientists returning to Israel.