NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF THE UNITED STATES

October 10, 2016

Local Spiritual Assemblies and registered groups

Dear Bahá'í Friends,

The letter of October 4 from the Department of the Secretariat at the Bahá'í World Center—shared with you on the same date—not only conveyed the thrilling news that portions of the events surrounding the dedication of the Bahá'í House of Worship in Chile will be broadcast live on two websites, but also, significantly, pointed out that "[T]his presents a unique opportunity for the friends in local communities across the Bahá'í world to gather together and partake of the spirit of the proceedings on this historic occasion."

To this end, the National Spiritual Assembly calls on you to organize, in close collaboration with cluster agencies, gatherings in your communities to watch the dedication events. While we recognize that there is not much planning time, these meetings—open to the believers and their friends, whether already involved in the community-building process or newly awakened to the vision of the Blessed Beauty—will be precious opportunities to give further impetus to the progress of the Plan by discussing the concept of the Mashriqu'l-Adhkár and the dynamic interaction between worship and service as well as to speak directly about the Person of Bahá'u'lláh and His world-embracing Revelation.

The October 4 letter is attached for your ease of reference. The National Spiritual Assembly assures you of its prayers that the wave of spiritual energies generated by the official opening of the last of the Continental Bahá'í Houses of Worship will inspire the friends across this country to redouble their efforts in pursuit of the current Plan.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,

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Secretary

cc: Continental Counselors residing in the United States All Regional Bahá'í Councils