

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

April 5, 2019

To all Local Spiritual Assemblies and
registered Bahá'í groups

Dearest Bahá'í Friends,

At this spiritually potent time of year, as the joyous Festival of Ridván approaches, we share the sense of excitement you must surely be feeling as you prepare for the Annual Meetings at which you will elect your community's Spiritual Assembly for the coming Bahá'í administrative year. No doubt you do so mindful of the privilege we all enjoy in participating in a "*wondrous System,*" as the Blessed Beauty Himself characterized it, "*the like of which mortal eyes have never witnessed.*"

As you arise to assist the friends in your community to better understand the unique nature of the Bahá'í electoral process, we are pleased to share with you a three-minute video on the subject, prepared under the auspices of our Office of Assembly Development and easily accessible through [this link](#).

We have also attached a few pages containing excerpts from messages of the Universal House of Justice on the Five Year Plan and its relationship to the functions of Local Spiritual Assemblies. We trust you will make use of both these resources in discussions at the upcoming Feast of Jalál and at other gatherings.

Be assured of our prayers for great success in your efforts to further the friends' appreciation of the sacredness of the system that has been entrusted to them.

With loving Bahá'í greetings,



Kenneth E. Bowers
Secretary

Attachment