On the 50th Anniversary of its organization, the Women of Reform Judaism salute our youth partner, the North American Federation of Temple Youth. The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods feels deep pride for its role in advocating the establishment of NFTY as the youth affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the pride in the accomplishments which NFTY has achieved.

Through these five decades, NFTY has provided an exciting and enriching opportunity for thousands and thousands of young people to experience Judaism as an integral part of their lives through the many and multifaceted programs offered through the temple youth groups and the regional and national camp programs, thereby expanding the horizons of our young people and strengthening their identification with Judaism in their own lives and their relationships nationally and internationally.

The Women of Reform Judaism rejoice with our youth as they mark a golden milestone. We commend the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for its support of our temple youth as we pledge NFTS’ continuing support, both financial and as advocates. Further we urge Sisterhoods throughout our Federation to expand their advocacy role on behalf of temple youth within the congregation and strengthen the program and project partnership between Sisterhood and the temple youth group. As it moves into the future, may NFTY remain ever young, ever strong and may their dreams come true.