



# *Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush*

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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to address the issues that were raised recently concerning Morrell of Woodbury. The Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush has investigated the allegations regarding the kashrus of Morrell of Woodbury and have concluded that the allegations are unfounded. The Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush stands behind the kashrus of Morrell of Woodbury. Morrell of Woodbury has always conformed to the highest standards of kashrus as required by the Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush. Furthermore, please be advised of the following:

1. Morrell of Woodbury is under the constant and full supervision of the Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush kitchen is locked and only the mashgichim have the key.
2. Temple Beth Torah and Temple Israel are not under the supervision of the Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush. When Temple Beth Torah or Temple Israel are not used by Morrell of Woodbury, they are under another rabbinical supervision. When Morrell of Woodbury is requested to cater at either Temple Beth Torah or Temple Israel, these locations are treated in the same manner as any hotel would be treated for a glatt kosher event, *i.e.*, a complete cleaning and kashering are performed. This is done because we do not know whether the practices of the other rabbinical supervision conform to the policies of the Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush. Once the kitchen is properly kashered, the food and utensils to be used for the function are then brought in from the glatt kosher commissary at the Woodbury Jewish Center. At the conclusion of the function, the mashgichim supervise the loading and sealing of the truck for the return of any items to the commissary at the Woodbury Jewish Center. The Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush does not allow any food or utensils to go from either Temple Beth Torah or Temple Israel to the Woodbury Jewish Center, except under the above conditions.

It is indeed unfortunate, and yes, even tragic to a degree, that unfounded allegations of kashrus violations have been made against Morrell of Woodbury. The company, which has been family owned and operated for over forty years, is presently owned and operated by Mr. Scott Morrell. It has been our experience with Mr. Morrell that he conducts his business guided only by the highest moral and ethical standards. He has always been cooperative on all kashrus issues and follows the dictates of the kashrus standards of the Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush without question or hesitation. The Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush has stood and will continue to stand behind Morrell of Woodbury and Mr. Scott Morrell.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Meir Goldberg', written over a horizontal line.

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