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To Whom It May Concern

I have had the pleasure and privilege of working with Rabbi Schwartz over the last few years in the Stamford Hill Haredi Community.

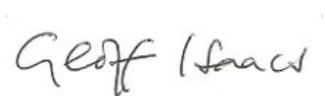
Rabbi Schwartz is an enormously respected leader in his community and he deals with a vast range of issues. There have been occasions in which Rabbi Schwartz has contacted me to discuss mental health issues with members of his community. I have always found him to be a wise, sensitive man with an enormous degree of personal charm, who is always able to identify the relevant issues in what are often complex problems. Frequently we will meet with the person concerned together and reach an agreement as to the way forward. Rabbi Schwartz will then generally arrange for the implementation of the package of care that is necessary. He will go to enormous lengths to ensure that appropriate care is given and that the individual receives all the appropriate care and attention to make a full recovery (a refuah shlema).

Rabbi Schwartz is always available to discuss any issues that concern his congregation. This often involves very early morning or late night phone calls and Rabbi Schwartz, despite his very significant responsibilities and workload is always able to give the necessary attention for a member of his congregation who needs help.

Rabbi Schwartz an interesting man, as he combines not only a very conservative ultra-orthodox approach to issues with an understanding of the outside world and how it abuts and impinges on the Haredi Community.

It would be inappropriate to go into detail around specific individuals that Rabbi Schwartz has helped but, despite my long experience in working with the Haredi Community, I am continually surprised at the extraordinary success that Rabbi Schwartz has achieved in finding practical, pragmatic and successful solutions to complex and seemingly unsurmountable problems.

Yours faithfully



Dr Geoff Isaacs