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## Governor Ron DeSantis Delivers Keynote Address at 2019 Israel-America Business Summit

Florida and Israeli chambers sign a Memorandum of Understanding recognizing strong interest to develop closer working relationship

**Airport City, Israel** – Today, Governor Ron DeSantis delivered the keynote address at the 2019 Israel-America Business Summit. The Summit was hosted by the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce and the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem. During the Summit, the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Israel-America Chamber of Commerce and the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

"I was honored to deliver the keynote address at the Israel-America Business Summit here in Airport City," **said Governor DeSantis**. "Israel and the United States, especially Florida, have a sound economic bond that we are working to strengthen even further on this historic business development mission. Whether it be increased investment between our two nations, more options for commercial flights for our residents or the exchanging of innovative technological advancements, we are always looking for ways to build on our relationship."

The MOU signed recognizes the strong interest of the Florida Chamber of Commerce, Israel-America Chamber of Commerce and the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce have in developing a closer working relationship and joining efforts to achieve common goals with a view to growing the business and investment relationship between Israel and Florida.

"Florida and Israel have a long history of strong cooperation in key economic sectors, and by signing an MOU with our Israeli Chamber partners, small businesses in Florida and Israel stand to gain stronger economic benefits through strategic trade and investment partnerships," said Mark Wilson, President and CEO of the Florida Chamber of Commerce.



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The Israel-America Business Summit is an annual gathering of U.S. and Israeli government officials and leading business executives to discuss the current status of Israeli-American business relationships. The purpose of the summit is to provide these leaders the chance to exchange ideas on how to capitalize on the many opportunities provided by the strong economic relationship between the United States and Israel.

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