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The Israeli Cabinet at the Jerusalem Day Celebrations at Ammunition Hill in Jerusalem on May 20. This reportedly marks the first time the Cabinet has been together for a photo opportunity. Pictured (front row, L-R) Alon Badihi, JNF's executive director of Israel Operations; Bruce Gould, president of JNF's Florida Zone; Russell Robinson, CEO of JNF; Katri Maoz, director of Ammunition Hill.

Netanyahu speaks at Gould dedication in Israel

JERUSALEM—Last Sunday afternoon, just outside of Jerusalem, hundreds of soldiers, diplomats, and spectators from around the world gathered for the 45th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem Day celebrations were the pinnacle of the Jewish National Fund's (JNF) Road to Jerusalem Mission, which brought donors and leaders from across the United States to Israel to celebrate this important milestone.

Bruce Gould of Orlando celebrated the dedication of the Bruce K. Gould Amphitheatre at Ammunition Hill during the Jerusalem Day event. Gould, president of JNF's Florida Zone, said the gift of the theatre was made with love for Israel. "Ammunition Hill completes the circle of reunification of Jerusalem and the courage and strength of the Jewish people," said



Bruce Gould (left) meets Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu following the dedication of the Bruce K. Gould Amphitheatre at Ammunition Hill in Israel. Gould's parents, Jean and Norman, are to his left.

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Gould. "It's a perfect example of the endurance of Jewish people. Ammunition Hill brings together three things that are important to me: Israel, education,

and presenting the arts and culture of Jerusalem and Israel. Jewish National Fund is the voice of American Jews in Israel and has done so much."

At JNF's Ammunition Hill Jerusalem Day ceremony,

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat reflected upon this turning point in Israel's history. "Israel without Jerusalem," proclaimed Netanyahu, "is like a body without a heart."

Speaking of the tenacity of the Jewish People 45 years ago, Netanyahu said, "They fought for Jerusalem and they won. Jewish history was changed forever. The divided city was whole again and it will remain." Terry Katz,

vice president of Women's Campaign and a mission participant from Philadelphia, said she joined the Road to Jerusalem mission because "of the excitement of what Jerusalem means to me and the Jewish people."

I'm also here because of Bruce Gould, his concern for Israel, his involvement in JNF and his extreme generosity."

The Road to Jerusalem Mission returned from Israel on Wednesday, May 23.