

To Joshua Fishman on the occasion of his 80th birthday celebration:

The staff and trustees of the Center for Applied Linguistics (CAL) send our warmest wishes to you for your birthday, along with our deep appreciation for your many contributions to CAL as advisor, colleague, and friend over the years. We are grateful for your visionary leadership in sociolinguistics, particularly in the areas of language planning, language policy, and heritage language development. You have influenced CAL's work in many ways, from our founding in 1959 through today. To name a few,

- ❖ Many CAL staff members have pursued the study of sociolinguistics, learning much from your articles on language loyalty, policy and planning, and we have used your frameworks in our international language planning work.
- ❖ You worked with Charles Ferguson and CAL on Language Planning and Language Policy activities around the world, including conferences in Dar es Salaam, Skokloster, Montreal, and Aberystwyth, the East African Survey, the International Research Project on Language Planning Processes, and related publications, among many other fruitful collaborations in this area.
- ❖ Your documentation of heritage language programs across the United States paved the way for efforts that are ongoing to this day, and we admire your leadership in creating the vision and setting the direction for such important work.
- ❖ You helped us launch the Heritage Languages Initiative, which is now the Alliance for the Advancement of Heritage Languages, by serving on the founding Advisory Board and delivering the keynote presentation on heritage language communities at our first conference. It was your paper, delivered to us in complete written form at the conference, which encouraged us to share the discussion of the conference in book form-- *Heritage Languages in America: Preserving a National Resource* (2001). Your paper is a beautiful and insightful piece that remains a major attraction for readers of the book.
- ❖ You have continued to encourage and help us as we build the Alliance, and we look to you for encouragement and direction.

Thank you!! We congratulate you on your many years of service to the field and wish you many more years of joy and productivity.

Donna Christian

Donna Christian, President
for the staff and trustees of the Center for Applied Linguistics