The Senate and the Executive Committee of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev hereby resolve to honor

Elena Dmitrievna Bashkirova

In homage to a celebrated classical pianist who has appeared alongside leading orchestras and renowned conductors on the most noted global stages; in acknowledgement of a musician who began her career at the Tchaikovsky Conservatory in Moscow studying under her father, and became a rare virtuoso, performing an extraordinarily broad repertoire of works and styles, from classical and romantic to 20th century modern, with remarkable passion and talent; with esteem for an accomplished musical director, founder of the Metropolis Ensemble in Berlin; to the founding director of the prestigious Jerusalem International Chamber Music Festival, which has become a highpoint of Israeli cultural life, enhancing its standing and attracting first rate performers from around the globe; in sincere admiration for her invaluable contributions to musical education and culture worldwide; and with heartfelt gratitude to a masterful performer who imbues every note with new meaning and has devoted her life’s work to uplifting the spirit and enriching the lives of people wherever they may be,

by conferring upon her the degree of

Doctor Philosophiae Honoris Causa

With all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto

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