The Weight of the Bimah

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Apple Pages

The editable book was opened in Apple Pages for iCloud and exported as a PDF. The corrected export contains 192 pages. Every manuscript paragraph appears on its intended page in the Pages export and in the reading PDF. All ten pictures retain their captions and follow the list on page 4.

Gemini

Gemini reviewed the full manuscript and wrap, then the illustrated files. A final pass checked the revised double portrait on page 80 and the separate guide entries for Telsner (103), Case Study No. 22 (108) and Manny Waks (109). Page references were checked independently against the printed folios.

Illustrations and credits

The Rebbe photograph identifies his visitor as Rabbi Ahron Daum. Telsner’s image is labelled as an AI-assisted illustration. The material on Cyril Harris includes the Johannesburg synagogue model and an endnote linked to the South African Jewish Board of Deputies photograph of Harris with Nelson Mandela.

Paperback and reading copy

The paperback has 192 pages at 5.83 × 8.27 inches. The wrap uses a 0.480-inch spine for black ink on cream paper. The reading PDF adds the front cover before numbered page 1. All 191 manuscript cross-links were matched to their intended pages. All four recording QR codes decoded from the print file.

Scope of the check

Digital rendering, manuscript text and page references were checked. Print density, paper and binding still require a physical proof. The editorial review does not independently authenticate every historical recollection.