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THE CHAZON ISH IS BURNT UP WITH RAGE
BECAUSE OF THE REMOVAL OF THE BEARD

The Chazon Ish states: "I have never accepted the behavior of those Jews who remove their beards, since this was a forbidden practice in previous times. It was considered as grave as if he had walked in the street bareheaded, or changed his mode of dress. Although shaving the beard has now become commonplace, even amongst Torah scholars, this by no means decreases the severity of the transgression. This practice literally burns me up with rage" (Igerot Chazon Ish 1:198)

A KOHEN WITHOUT A BEARD SHOULD
NOT BLESS THE PEOPLE

The Sefer "Hakoneh" (Page 28), and many other authorities, write that a Cohen who has no beard should not be permitted to recite the Priestly Blessings, even if he has reached the age of one hundred years

IT IS NOT THE WILL OF HASHEM TO REMOVE IT

The beard is one of the symbols created by Hashem to differentiate between men and women. Since the beard has been created for a specific reason, it is in direct opposition to Hashem's will to remove it (Rabbenu Bachye, Vayikra 19)

WOE TO THE ONE WHO DARES DISTURB HIS BEARD IN
ANY MANNER (ZOHAR HA KADDOSH III, 130B)