

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, AUTHOR OF ALL HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS, WHO HAS ROOTED MAN ON THE GROUND BUT WHO HAS ALLOWED MAN'S IMAGINATION TO SOAR AND RANGE TO THE HEIGHTS, WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH THE NEED TO GROUND OUR DREAMS IN REALITY, GRANT THAT AS WE HAVE GATHERED HERE TONIGHT TO HONOR THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND AND JEANNE AND JOE SAMUELS THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT DREAMS WITHOUT THE VEHICLES TO ROOT THEM IN LIFE WILL ONLY LEAD TO FRUSTRATION AND DESTRUCTION WHILE WORK AND TOIL WHICH ARE NOT ILLUMINATED BY GREAT DREAMS AND GREAT HOPES WILL LEAD ONLY TO DECAY, DRUDGERY, AND DEPRESSION. GRANT, O LORD, THAT EACH OF US HERE TONIGHT WILL REALIZE THAT G-D HAS PLACED US IN ONLY A PARTIALLY COMPLETED WORLD, THAT IT IS UP TO US TO FINISH THE JOB. GRANT THAT EACH OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT ISRAEL, THE PROMISED LAND, THE PARADIGM OF MAN'S ROLE ON EARTH IS INCOMPLETE, THAT THE SOIL IS THERE, THE WATER IS THERE, AND THE CLIMATE IS THERE, BUT THAT WE MUST ALL BY WORKING TOGETHER BRING THE WATER TO THE PROPER SOIL AND BRING THE PROPER SOILS TO THE RIGHT CLIMATE IF THE LAND IS TO FULFILL ITS PROMISE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIVES AS WELL, THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY APPLY OURSELVES TO THE REALIZATION OF JEWISH IDEALS BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS THEN WE, TOO, WILL BECOME A SPIRITUAL DESERT. OUR PROMISE WILL NOT BE FULFILLED. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS MADE POSSIBLE THE REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND AND WHICH HAS PROVED THAT A JEWISH PEOPLE UNITED WITH ITSELF AND WITH ITS DREAMS CAN BY HARD WORK CREATE A PROMISED LAND. BLESS ALSO, O LORD, OUR HONOREES THIS EVENING, JEANNE AND JOE SAMUELS, WHO HAVE DONE SO MUCH IN OUR COMMUNITY TO PROMOTE JEWISH LIFE. THEY HAVE REFLECTED ACCURATELY THE DREAMS OF THE HOUSTON JEWISH COMMUNITY IN THE JEWISH HERALD VOICE WHICH THEY PUBLISH. TO THEM THE JEWISH HERALD VOICE IS NOT JUST

A WAY OF MAKING A LIVING ~~PRIMARILY~~ BUT TRULY A CAUSE. THEY, THROUGH ITS PAGES AND COLUMNS, TRY TO UNITE THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN HOUSTON TO CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE JEWISH FUTURE. THEY DISPLAY TO EVERYONE HOW THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN HOUSTON IS TRYING TO REALIZE JEWISH DREAMS. THEY ACCURATELY SHOW HOW SOME OF US HAVE ATTENUATED THESE DREAMS AND HOW SOME OF US HAVE FAILED TO IMPLEMENT THE DREAMS WE SAY WE DO HOLD. THEIR PAPER IS ONE OF THE PRIME VEHICLES FOR THE FURTHERANCE OF JEWISH DREAMS IN OUR COMMUNITY. MAY THEY LIKE THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND CONTINUE TO FLOURISH AND GROW, AND MAY THEY, LIKE THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, CONTINUE TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR HOPES, AND MAY THEY, LIKE THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE ALL WHO WISH TO RENEW THE JEWISH DREAM. MAY PEACE COME SOON TO ISRAEL AND ALL MANKIND, AND MAY WE ALL BY HELPING TO CLEAR GROUND AND PLANT TREES FIND OUR ROOTS DEEP, OUR HEADS HIGH, AND OUR DREAMS ALWAYS REACHING TOWARD HEAVEN. THUS MAY WE BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE. AMEN.

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WORKING TOGETHER OF ALL PEOPLES AND ALL ASPECTS OF SOCIETY, ^{with} EACH FULFILLING ITS CHARACTER
AND TASKS TO THE UTMOST ^{without ever having to} NEVER SACRIFICING ITS INTEGRITY OR SELF-RESPECT ^{In order to be part} BUT WORKING TOGETHER
IN ~~A~~ ^{of the} HARMONIOUS WHOLE, ^{Grant we will always come to rest} EACH PART DOING ITS SHARE ^{as in a symphony orchestra each instrument plays its part in concert with others to} IN CONCERT WITH THE OTHERS. O LORD, ^{MAKE}
GRANT THAT WE WILL SOON HAVE THIS HARMONY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND THAT WE WILL ALWAYS ^{this type of} BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN ~~A~~ ^{our beloved} HARMONIOUS SOCIETY IN ~~THIS~~ COUNTRY. GRANT, O LORD, THAT OUR HONOREE
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Lt. Col. William Hobby

Beautiful
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כִּי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֵלֶיךָ יָשׁוּב וְאַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ יִשְׁמַח בָּנוּ וְיִשְׁמַח בְּעַמּוֹתָנוּ וְיִשְׁמַח בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל וּבְיִשְׂרָאֵלִים וְיִשְׁמַח בְּכָל אֶרֶץ יִשְׂרָאֵל וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ חֵט וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ עֵבֶר וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר יִשְׂרָאֵל יֹאמַר וְיִשְׁמַח בְּכָל אֶרֶץ יִשְׂרָאֵל וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ מִצְרָיִם וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ חֵט וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ עֵבֶר וּבְכָל אֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר יִשְׂרָאֵל יֹאמַר

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PREPARED AND NEW TREES PLANTED THE OLD WILL DIE AND NOTHING WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE, ~~AND~~ ^{that}
IF WE DO NOT CONTINUALLY GROW ^{we will degenerate instead of flourish} ~~IN OUR UNDERSTANDING, IN OUR DESIRE TO HELP THE PERFECT~~
~~THIS WORLD, WE IN THE WORLD, INSTEAD OF GETTING BETTER, WILL BECOME WORSE.~~ GRANT, O
LORD, THAT AS WE ENTER THE HIGH HOLIDAY SEASON WE WILL ALWAYS ^{take heed of the fact} ~~REMEMBER~~ THAT THE MAJOR
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~~IMPORTANT TO CATCH THE WORD, THAT ONLY THROUGH HEARING CAN WE REALLY COMMUNICATE.~~ WE
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PEOPLE MAY ACHIEVE THE PEACE AND STABILITY THAT WE ALL WISH. GRANT, O LORD, THAT PEACE
WILL SOON COME TO ISRAEL ^{from} ~~AND THAT BECAUSE OF THE WORK AND EXAMPLE OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL~~
~~FUND THAT ALL THE NATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST WILL BENEFIT AND THAT THE DREAMS OF OUR~~
~~PEOPLE FOR A JUST AND PEACEFUL WORLD WILL COME TO PASS SOON BECAUSE NO ONE OF US EVER~~ ^{None}

FLAGGED IN OUR DUTY TO HELP, NONE OF US EVER STOPPED UP OUR EARS AND DID NOT ~~HEAR~~ ^{head} THE
CRIS ^{rockers} OF OUR PEOPLE. ^{and} MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING ^{together} ~~to~~ ACHIEVE THESE GREAT DREAMS, BE DRAWN CLOSER
NOT ~~ONLY~~ ^{and thus} TO EACH OTHER ~~but~~ TO THEE. AMEN.

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, AUTHOR OF ALL LIFE, CREATOR OF HOPE AND CHANGE, THE ROCK UPON WHOM WE ALL STAND AND UPON WHOM WE ALL BUILD, WHO HAS CREATED MAN WITH THE NEED FOR STABILITY AND TRADITION AND ALSO WITH THE NEED TO BETTER HIMSELF AND THE WORLD, GRANT THAT WE WE ALL GATHER HERE TODAY AT THIS MIZRAHI WOMAN'S MEETING AT WHICH WE WILL HEAR OF THE GREAT WORK OF THE J.N.F., ALL OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THE PROCESS OF RENEWAL OR REJUVENATION IS WHAT PROMOTES STABILITY AND TRADITION, THAT IF WE DON'T BUILD WE CAUSE DECAY AND DESTROY, THAT IF WE DO NOT LEND A HAND TO SEE TO IT THAT NEW TREES ARE PLANTED THE OLD WILL DIE AND NOTHING WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE AND THAT IF WE DO NOT TEACH OUR CHILDREN OUR TRADITIONS JUDAISM WILL DIE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALSO ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY RENEW OURSELVES BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS WITH OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WE, TOO, WILL ATROPHY AND BECOME LESS AND LESS HUMAN. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION, MIZRAHI WOMEN, WHICH HAS DONE SO MUCH TO HELP REJUVENATE OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND AND WHICH HAS CAUSED COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS TO RENEW THEMSELVES BY LEARNING ABOUT OUR TRADITIONS AND BY WORKING TO BUILD ERETZ YISRAEL. BLESS, ALSO, THE GREAT WORK OF THE J.N.F. MIZRAHI AND J.N.F. GO HAND IN HAND TO RENEW OUR PEOPLE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE PEACE WHICH WE ALL LONG FOR AND WHICH REVERBERATES IN OUR TRADITION WILL SOON COME TO PASS AND MAY WE ALL BY WORKING TOGETHER BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND THUS TO THEE.

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THE SOURCE OF ALL CHALLENGES, WHO HAS CHOSEN THE JEWISH PEOPLE TO BE HIS INSTRUMENT IN
PERFECTING THE WORLD, GRANT THAT EACH OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT ALTHOUGH WE HAVE
BEEN ROOTED ~~IN~~ ^{IN} THE ~~WORLD~~ ^{World} WITH MANY CRASS, VIOLENT, AND ANIMAL-LIKE DESIRES, WE CAN
TRANSFORM OURSELVES AND LIVE LIVES OF GREAT MORAL AND SPIRITUAL CONTENT. GRANT, O

LORD, THAT ALL OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THE SOURCE OF ANTI-SEMITISM IS ~~THE HATRED~~ ^{NOT US JEWS BUT}
OF MANKIND TO ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE OF LIVING A MORAL AND DECENT LIFE. LET US ALL

ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT HITLER HATED US BECAUSE WE GAVE THE WORLD A CONSCIENCE. ~~HE HATED~~ ^{AS HE SAID I HATE}
THE ORIENTAL DESPOT, JEHOVAH, WITH HIS THOU SHALIS AND THOU SHALT. GRANT, O LORD, THAT

EACH OF US HERE TODAY WILL REALIZE THAT G-D ^{TOO} NOT PROMISE THAT WE JEWISH PEOPLE WOULD
BE LIKED, ONLY THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD WILL TAKE NOTE OF THE MESSAGE THAT THOU HAS

GIVEN US AND WILL EVENTUALLY ADOPT THE MORAL LIFE OF GOODNESS TAUGHT IN THE TORAH. LET
US ALL CONCENTRATE ON LIVING THE MESSAGE OF JUDAISM IN OUR OWN LIVES FULLY AND OF

HELPING ISRAEL DEVELOP INTO A SOCIETY BASED UPON THE GREAT MORAL IDEAS OF OUR TRADITION.
GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE JNF, WHICH ~~IS THE~~ ^{IS} SYMBOL OF THE JEWISH ROLE ON EARTH, WHICH ~~HAS~~ ^{of the Jewish people}

~~MADE~~ ^{TO MAKE} A DESERT BLOOM AND WHICH HAS MADE POSSIBLE ~~THE~~ ^{the} REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN ~~THEIR~~ ^{land}
ANCIENT HOME BY RECLAIMING THE LAND, ~~SHALL~~ ^{will} GROW AND PROSPER. MAY WE JEWS, ALL ~~CONCENTRATE~~ ^{all days}

ON POSITIVE ACTIONS AND NOT WORRY ABOUT UNJUST CRITICISM WHICH EQUATES JUDAISM AND
ZIONISM WITH THE VIOLENT PAGAN PHILOSOPHIES WHICH JUDAISM WAS CALLED INTO BEING TO

~~REJECT~~ ^{reject} ~~DISPROVE~~ ^{TO} GRANT, O LORD, YOUR BLESSING UPON ARIEL SHARON, OUR GUEST SPEAKER TONIGHT,
WHOSE GREAT SERVICE ~~IN THE CAUSE~~ ^{TO} OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE SHOULD NEVER BE UNDERESTIMATED,

AND WHO HAS BEEN THE TARGET OF MUCH UNJUST CRITICISM JUST BECAUSE HE ~~REFUSED~~ ^{has always} TO KOWTOW
TO THOSE WHO EITHER FEEL THAT JUDAISM'S MESSAGE IS IRRELEVANT TO THE WORLD OR WHO

EQUATE ZIONISM WITH RACISM. NO MAN IS PERFECT BUT THE HATRED THAT HAS BEEN VENTED AT
ARIEL HAS, IN LARGE MEASURE, BEEN DIRECTED AT HIM ONLY BECAUSE HE IS A SYMBOL OF THE

WILL OF THE JEWS TO SURVIVE AND TO GIVE TO LARGE PARTS OF THE WORLD MORAL VALUES THEY
DO NOT WANT TO ~~HEAR~~ ^{Hear} ABOUT. MAY THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND CONTINUE TO BRING

RENEWAL TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE, AND MAY WE ALL BY HELPING THE JNF FIND THAT OUR OWN ROOTS
HAVE GROWN DEEPER AND OUR OWN ~~NEEDS~~ ^{own Jewish dream} HAVE GROWN TALLER, AND THAT WE ALL, BY BEING LOYAL

TO THE JEWISH DREAM, HAVE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THE DAY WHEN PEACE, HAPPINESS,
~~LOVE~~ ^{been}, AND JOY WILL REIGN SUPREME. AMEN. ^{brotherly love}

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, AUTHOR OF ALL LIFE, CREATOR OF HOPE AND CHANGE, THE ROCK UPON WHOM WE ALL STAND AND UPON WHOM WE ALL BUILD, WHO HAS CREATED MAN WITH THE NEED FOR STABILITY AND TRADITION AND ALSO WITH THE NEED TO BETTER HIMSELF AND THE WORLD, GRANT THAT WE WE ALL GATHER HERE TODAY AT THIS MIZRAHI WOMAN'S MEETING AT WHICH WE WILL HEAR OF THE GREAT WORK OF THE J.N.F., ALL OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THE PROCESS OF RENEWAL OR REJUVENATION IS WHAT PROMOTES STABILITY AND TRADITION, THAT IF WE DON'T BUILD WE CAUSE DECAY AND DESTROY, THAT IF WE DO NOT LEND A HAND TO SEE TO IT THAT NEW TREES ARE PLANTED THE OLD WILL DIE AND NOTHING WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE AND THAT IF WE DO NOT TEACH OUR CHILDREN OUR TRADITIONS JUDAISM WILL DIE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALSO ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY RENEW OURSELVES BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS WITH OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WE, TOO, WILL ATROPHY AND BECOME LESS AND LESS HUMAN. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION, MIZRAHI WOMEN, WHICH HAS DONE SO MUCH TO HELP REJUVENATE OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND AND WHICH HAS CAUSED COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS TO RENEW THEMSELVES BY LEARNING ABOUT OUR TRADITIONS AND BY WORKING TO BUILD ERETZ YISRAEL. BLESS, ALSO, THE GREAT WORK OF THE J.N.F. MIZRAHI AND J.N.F. GO HAND IN HAND TO RENEW OUR PEOPLE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE PEACE WHICH WE ALL LONG FOR AND WHICH REVERBERATES IN OUR TRADITION WILL SOON COME TO US AND MAY WE ALL BY WORKING TOGETHER BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND THUS TO THEE.

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NEED FOR STABILITY AND TRADITION AND ALSO WITH THE NEED TO BETTER HIMSELF AND THE WORLD,
GRANT THAT AS WE ALL GATHER HERE TODAY TO ~~RENEW THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND~~
of the great work of the J.N.F. *At this Mizrahi Woman's meetings at which we will hear* *what*
~~THE~~ ALL OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THE PROCESS OF RENEWAL OR REJUVENATION IS ~~WHAT~~
~~WHICH~~ PROMOTES STABILITY AND TRADITION, THAT IF WE DON'T BUILD WE DECAY AND DESTROY,
THAT IF WE DO NOT LEAD A HAND TO SEE TO IT THAT NEW TREES ARE PLANTED THE OLD WILL DIE
AND NOTHING WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE, *and that if we do not each are children our tradition will die* GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ~~ALSO~~ *also* REALIZE
THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY RENEW OURSELVES
BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL
RELATIONS WITH OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WE TOO WILL ATROPHY AND BECOME LESS AND LESS
HUMAN. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THE GREAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS ~~JOHN~~ *Mizrahi Woman* *done so much to help*
THE REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND AND WHICH HAS CAUSED COUNTLESS
INDIVIDUALS TO RENEW THEMSELVES BY ~~WORKING~~ *learning about our traditions and working to build Eretz Yisrael Mizrahi* GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE SEEDS
to J.N.F. go hand in hand to renew our people OF PEACE WHICH WE ALL LONG FOR AND WHICH REVERBERATES IN OUR TRADITION WILL ~~SEEDS~~ *come*
TO PASS AND MAY WE ALL BY WORKING TOGETHER BE DRAWN CLOSER TO ~~THESE~~ *God's plan to us to flee*

also the great work of the J.N.F.

J.N.F.

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J.N.F.

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, AUTHOR OF ^{ALL} ~~THE~~ HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS, WHO HAS ROOTED MAN ON THE GROUND BUT HAS ALLOWED HIS IMAGINATION TO SOAR AND RANGE TO THE HEIGHTS, WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH THE NEED TO GROUND OUR DREAMS IN REALITY, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT DREAMS WITHOUT THE VEHICLES TO ROOT THEM IN LIFE ^{will} ONLY LEAD TO FRUSTRATION AND DESTRUCTION WHILE WORK AND TOIL WHICH ARE NOT ILLUMINATED BY GREAT DREAMS AND GREAT HOPES WILL LEAD ONLY TO DECAY, DRUDGERY, AND DEPRESSION. GRANT, O LORD, THAT EACH OF US HERE TODAY WILL REALIZE THAT G-D HAS PLACED US IN ONLY A PARTIALLY COMPLETED WORLD, THAT IT IS UP TO US TO FINISH THE JOB. GRANT THAT EACH OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT ISRAEL, THE PROMISED LAND, THE PARADISE OF MAN'S ROLE ON EARTH IS INCOMPLETE, THAT THE SOIL IS THERE, THE WATER IS THERE, AND THE CLIMATE IS THERE, BUT WE ^{ALL} ~~MUST~~ ^{MUST} BY ~~ALL~~ WORKING TOGETHER BRING THE WATER TO THE PROPER SOIL AND EVEN BRING THE PROPER SOILS TO THE RIGHT CLIMATE IF THE LAND IS TO FULFILL ITS PROMISE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL, THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY APPLY OURSELVES TO THE REALIZING OF JEWISH IDEALS BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS THEN WE, TOO, WILL BECOME A SPIRITUAL DESERT. OUR PROMISE WILL NOT BE FULFILLED. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS MADE POSSIBLE THE REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND ~~AND WHICH HAS PROVED THAT DREAMS UNITED WITH ITS DREAMS BY HARD WORK IS~~ ^{a Jewish people may achieve an} ~~TRUTH~~ ^{create a} REALITY AND WHICH HAS PROVED THAT ~~DREAMS UNITED WITH ITS DREAMS BY HARD WORK IS~~ THE PROMISED LAND. MAY IT FLOURISH AND CONTINUE TO GROW. MAY THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND CONTINUE TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR ^{has} ~~DREAMS~~ AND CONTINUE TO RENEW ALL THOSE WHO WORK FOR IT. MAY PEACE COME SOON TO ISRAEL AND ALL MANKIND, AND MAY WE ALL BY HELPING TO CLEAR GROUND AND PLANT TREES FIND OUR ROOTS DEEP, OUR HEADS HIGH, ^{and by reaching} ~~REACHING~~ TOWARD HEAVEN AND ^{by us} ~~THUS BE~~ DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE.

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, AUTHOR OF ALL HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS, WHO HAS ROOTED MAN ON THE GROUND BUT HAS ALLOWED HIS IMAGINATION TO SOAR AND RANGE TO THE HEIGHTS, WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH THE NEED FOR BOTH CHANGE AND STABILITY, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT DREAMS WITHOUT THE VEHICLES TO ROOT THEM IN LIFE ONLY LEAD TO FRUSTRATION AND DESTRUCTION WHILE STABILITY AND TRADITION NOT LEAVENED WITH CONSTANT RENEWAL OR REJUVENATION WILL LEAD TO DECAY AND ANARCHY. GRANT, O LORD, THAT EACH OF US WILL REALIZE THAT G-D HAS CREATED THIS WORLD ONLY PARTIALLY, 98%, PERFECT, THAT IT IS UP TO US TO FINISH THE JOB. GRANT THAT EACH OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT ISRAEL, THE PROMISED LAND, THE PARADIGM OF MAN'S ROLE ON EARTH, THE SOIL IS THERE, THE WATER IS THERE, AND THE CLIMATE IS THERE, BUT WE MUST EACH OF US THROUGH EFFORT BRING THE WATER TO THE PROPER SOIL AND EVEN BRING THE PROPER SOILS TO THE RIGHT CLIMATE. WE MUST PLANT THE TREES. WE MUST CLEAR THE LAND. WE MUST APPLY THE TECHNOLOGY. IF WE DO THEN THE LAND WILL BLOOM. WE MUST CONSTANTLY RENEW OUR COVENANT WITH THE LAND BY HARD WORK. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE AS WELL. UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY RENEW OURSELVES BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS THEN WE, TOO, WILL BECOME A DESERT. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS MADE POSSIBLE THE REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND AND WHICH HAS CAUSED THE DREAMS OF COUNTLESS GENERATIONS TO BECOME A REALITY AND PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR PEOPLE TO BE REBORN. MAY THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND CONTINUE TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR DREAMS AND CONTINUE TO REJEW ALL THOSE WHO WORK FOR IT. MAY PEACE COME SOON TO ISRAEL AND ALL MANKIND, AND MAY WE ALL BY CLEARING GROUND AND PLANTING TREES FIND OUR ROOTS WHILE OUR HEADS ARE IN HEAVEN AND THUS BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE.

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, THE SOURCE OF ALL LIFE, THE NURTURER OF ALL VALUES, THE INSPIRER OF ALL DREAMS WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH THE DESIRE TO SOAR AND REACH OUT TO THE WHOLE WORLD AND ALSO WITH THE EQUALLY COMPELLING DESIRE TO BE ROOTED IN OUR PAST AND HAVE AN IDENTITY, GRANT THAT AS WE ALL GATHER TOGETHER HERE TODAY AT THIS J.N.F. DINNER HONORING GIL AND MILDRED GERTNER WE WILL ALWAYS BE MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT EACH OF US NEEDS TO BE ROOTED IN OUR TRADITIONS AND OUR HISTORY AND TIED THROUGH BONDS OF AFFECTION AND LOVE AND COMMITMENT TO OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND OF ISRAEL BEFORE WE CAN SOAR AND BRANCH OUT AS INDIVIDUALS TO FULFILL OUR OWN DESTINY. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT WITHOUT A FIRM SENSE OF WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE ARE AND WHO WE ARE RELATED TO, WE WILL ALWAYS BE FILLED WITH INNER DOUBTS AND CONTRADICTIONS AND FEELINGS OF INFERIORITY WHICH WILL MAKE US ALL FEEL INSECURE AND FRIGHTENED, PEOPLE WITH UNFERTILE AND UNPRODUCTIVE DREAMS. BLESS, O LORD, THE GREAT WORK OF THIS ORGANIZATION WHICH SEEKS TO NOT ONLY RECLAIM THE DESERT AND MAKE IT BLOOM BUT ^{which} ~~who~~ ALSO SEEKS TO RECLAIM A PEOPLE BY ALLOWING IT TO HAVE PRIDE IN ITSELF AND ITS ACCOMPLISHMENTS. BLESS, O LORD, OUR HONOREES TONIGHT. MAY THEY EVER CONTINUE TO UPHOLD THE PROUD TRADITIONS OF OUR PEOPLE AND ALWAYS SERVE AS A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION TO US ALL BY THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION FOR ALL THINGS JEWISH, AND MAY WE ALL, O LORD, NEVER TIRE IN OUR EFFORTS TO HELP RECLAIM OUR LAND AND OUR PEOPLE AND TO UPHOLD OUR TRADITIONS, THE EITZ CHAYEEM, THE TREE OF LIFE OF OUR PEOPLE. MAY THE WORDS OF THY PROPHET, ISAIAH, COME FULLY TRUE IN OUR DAY, AND MAY WE ALL HAVE A PART IN BRINGING THEM ABOUT. "FOR THE LORD HATH COMFORTED ZION; HE HATH COMFORTED ALL HER WASTE PLACES; AND HATH MADE HER WILDERNESS LIKE EDEN, AND HER DESERT LIKE THE GARDEN OF THE LORD; JOY AND GLADDNESS SHALL BE FOUND THEREIN, THANKSGIVING, AND THE VOICE OF MELODY." AMEN.

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RECLAIM OUR LAND AND OUR PEOPLE, ^{and to ~~reclaim~~ our traditions the Eitz Chayim, the Tree of Life, ~~of the Jewish people~~} MAY THE WORDS ^{of the people} OF ISAIAH COME FULLY TRUE IN OUR DAY,
AND MAY WE ALL HAVE A PART IN BRINGING THEM ABOUT. " FOR THE LORD HATH COMFORTED ZION;
HE HATH COMFORTED ALL HER WASTE PLACES; AND HATH MADE HER WILDERNESS LIKE EDEN, AND
HER DESERT LIKE THE GARDEN OF THE LORD; JOY AND GLADNESS SHALL BE FOUND THEREIN,
THANKSGIVING, AND THE VOICE OF MELODY. *amen*

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, REDEEMER AND ROCK OF ISRAEL, WHO IS THE SOURCE OF ALL HOPE AND GROWTH, GRANT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR TWO WONDERFUL PEOPLE, ANNIE RAY WIZIG AND ABRAM GELLER AT THIS AWARD OF VALOR LUNCHEON OF THE JNF, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT WE HAVE BEEN PUT ON THIS EARTH IN ORDER TO BE YOUR PARTNERS IN CREATION, THAT THIS WORLD, IN ORDER TO BE A FRUITFUL AND A PEACEFUL AND A HARMONIOUS PLANET, NEEDS THE EFFORTS OF EACH ONE OF US. GRANT, O LORD, THAT JUST AS WE KNOW THAT THE JNF, THROUGH ITS PLANTING OF TREES AND LAND RECLAMATION PROJECTS,

HAS TURNED A DESERT INTO A BOUNTIFUL AND BEAUTIFUL AND LUXURIANT GARDEN, SO IN ALL ASPECTS OF LIFE WE HUMAN BEINGS ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO TRANSFORM THIS POTENTIALLY GOOD AND BOUNTIFUL AND WONDERFUL EARTH INTO AN ACTUAL BOUNTIFUL, HARMONIOUS, AND WONDERFUL EARTH. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS LEARN FROM THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR HONOREES TODAY. THEY KNEW AND KNOW THAT MAN LIVES BEST WHEN HE OR SHE GIVES OF HIMSELF TO OTHERS. THEY HAVE, BY THEIR MANY ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE, WHETHER IT BE IN A SYNAGOGUE OR UJA OR IN HADASSAH OR ORT OR JNF, HAVE TRULY BEEN TRUE PARTNERS WITH THEE IN MAKING THIS A BETTER WORLD. THEIR ROOTS HAVE BEEN DEEP, THEIR FRUIT BEAUTIFUL, THEIR LEAVES LUXURIANT, AND THEIR ENDEAVORS HAVE BRANCHED OUT THROUGHOUT AN ENTIRE

COMMUNITY. THEY HAVE TRULY ENHANCED THE QUALITY OF JEWISH LIFE AND GENERAL LIFE IN HOUSTON AND IN ISRAEL. THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE BEEN MANY AND ^{so many people here} ~~WAS~~ BENEFITED ^{for them.} GRANT THEM, O LORD, RENEWED ENERGY AND VIGOR TO CONTINUE IN THIS GREAT WORK. GRANT, ALSO, O LORD, THAT THE JNF WILL ALWAYS SERVE AS A MODEL FOR WHAT MAN WAS CREATED TO DO IN THIS WORLD, TO TRANSFORM PHYSICAL, MORAL, MENTAL, AND CULTURAL DESERTS INTO BEAUTIFUL HARMONIOUS, WONDERFUL AREAS OF LIFE. MAY THE JNF BE GRANTED CONTINUED SUCCESS IN RECLAIMING THE LAND OF ISRAEL, AND MAY ALL ^{we by} OUR EFFORTS ^{to make this a harmonious, beautiful planet} ~~TOGETHER WITH~~, BRING CLOSER

~~THE DAY WHEN THERE WILL BE PEACE AND HARMONY AND PROSPERITY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD~~ AND ESPECIALLY IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING ^{Together} FOR THIS GREAT GOAL, BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND, THUS, TO THEE. AMEN.

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, AUTHOR OF ALL LIFE, THE SOURCE OF ALL HOPE, THE ROCK UPON WHOM WE ALL STAND, WHO HAS CREATED US ALL WITH A NEED FOR STABILITY AND TRADITION AND ALSO WITH A NEED TO BETTER OURSELVES, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TONIGHT AT THIS ANNUAL JEWISH NATIONAL FUND FUNCTION WE WILL ALL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT IT IS RENEWAL AND REDEDICATION WHICH ASSURES STABILITY AND TRADITION, THAT IF WE DO NOT CONTINUOUSLY BUILD WE WILL END UP WITH ONLY DECAY AND DESTRUCTION, THAT IF WE DO NOT LEND A HAND TO SEE TO IT THAT NEW GROUND IS PREPARED AND NEW TREES PLANTED, THE OLD WILL DIE AND NOTHING WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE, THAT IF WE DO NOT CONTINUALLY GROW WE WILL DEGENERATE INSTEAD OF FLOURISH. GRANT, O LORD, THAT AS WE ENTER THE HIGH HOLIDAY SEASON WE WILL ALWAYS TAKE HEED OF THE FACT THAT THE MAJOR SYMBOL OF THIS SEASON IS THE SHOFAR, A NATURAL MUSICAL INSTRUMENT WHICH IS HARD TO PLAY AND WHOSE SOUND IS SOMETIMES UNCERTAIN. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER, O LORD, THAT IN OUR RELIGION WE STRESS HEARING MORE THAN SEEING, TO THE SOUND THAT COMES FROM WITHIN AND NOT TO SIGHT WHICH DEALS ONLY WITH SURFACES. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER, O LORD, THAT IN JUDAISM WE MUST ALWAYS BE ATTUNED TO THE CRY WITHIN, TO THE DREAMS AND THE ASPIRATION OF THE POOR, THE OPPRESSED, AND THE DOWNTRODDEN, AND, OF COURSE, ALWAYS TO THE DREAMS OF OUR PEOPLE. LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER, O LORD, THAT ACCORDING TO OUR TRADITION ROSH HASHONNA CELEBRATES NOT ONLY THE BEGINNING OF THE JEWISH NEW YEAR BUT ALSO THE DAY WHEN JOSEPH WAS FREED FROM PRISON. JOSEPH ONLY BEGAN TO BE ABLE TO FULFILL HIS OWN DREAMS WHEN HE BEGAN TO LISTEN TO THE DREAMS OF OTHERS. O LORD, BLESS THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND, WHICH HAS DONE SO MUCH TO REJUVENATE OUR PEOPLE AND OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND BY LISTENING TO THE DREAMS OF OUR PEOPLE AND THE DREAMS OF OUR TRADITION. GRANT THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE HEEDFUL OF THESE DREAMS, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS JOIN TOGETHER WITH JEWISH NATIONAL FUND TO RENEW THE LAND OF ISRAEL SO THAT OUR TRADITIONS MAY FLOURISH THERE AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE MAY ACHIEVE THE PEACE AND STABILITY THAT WE ALL WISH. GRANT, O LORD, THAT PEACE WILL SOON COME TO ISRAEL BECAUSE NONE OF US EVER FLAGGED IN OUR DUTY TO HELP, THAT NONE OF US EVER STOPPED UP OUR EARS AND DID NOT HEED THE CRIES AND DREAMS OF OUR PEOPLE, AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING TOGETHER, ACHIEVE THESE GREAT DREAMS AND BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND, THUS, TO THEE. AMEN.

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, AUTHOR OF ALL HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS, THE SOURCE OF ALL CHALLENGES WHO HAS CREATED MANKIND TO BE HIS JUNIOR PARTNER IN PERFECTING THIS WORLD, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TONIGHT DURING THE HOLIDAY OF SUCCOS, THE BIBLICAL FEAST OF TABERNACLES, WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THE UNDERLYING MESSAGE OF THIS HOLIDAY: PEACE, PEACE BETWEEN NATIONS, PEACE BETWEEN INDIVIDUALS, PEACE WITHIN SOCIETY, PEACE WITHIN OURSELVES, AND PEACE BETWEEN MAN AND NATURE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THE BIBLICAL WORD FOR PEACE, SHALOM, DOES NOT MEAN THE PEACE AND QUIET OF THE GRAVE, BUT IT MEANS THE HARMONIOUS WORKING TOGETHER OF ALL ASPECTS OF AN INDIVIDUAL, OF ALL PARTS OF SOCIETY, OF ALL THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD, AND OF MAN AND NATURE. GRANT THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT SHALOM MEANS THE HARMONIOUS WORKING TOGETHER OF ALL PEOPLES AND ALL ASPECTS OF SOCIETY WITH EACH FULFILLING ITS CHARACTER AND TASKS TO THE UTMOST WITHOUT EVERY HAVING TO SACRIFICE ITS INTEGRITY OR SELF-RESPECT IN ORDER TO BE PART OF THE HARMONIOUS WHOLE. GRANT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT JUST AS IN A SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA EACH INSTRUMENT PLAYS ITS PART IN CONCERT WITH OTHERS TO MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC, SO WE MUST PERMIT EVERY GROUP IN SOCIETY TO PLAY ITS PART IN CONCERT WITH OTHERS SO THAT SOCIETY CAN PRODUCE HARMONY, BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE AND THINGS. O LORD, GRANT THAT WE WILL SOON HAVE THIS HARMONY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN THIS TYPE OF HARMONIOUS SOCIETY IN OUR BELOVED COUNTRY. GRANT, O LORD, THAT OUR HONOREE OF THE EVENING, LT. GOVERNOR WILLIAM HOBBY, BE GIVEN ADDED STRENGTH TO CONTINUE HIS MANY AND WONDERFUL EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT WE IN TEXAS LIVE IN HARMONY WITH EACH OTHER, WITH OUR INSTITUTIONS, AND WITH NATURE. GRANT, TOO, O LORD, THAT THE WORK OF THE JNF, WHOSE MAJOR MISSION IS TO ENSURE THE HARMONIOUS LIVING TOGETHER OF MAN AND NATURE IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL, WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH AND PROSPER. GRANT THAT NOWHERE WILL MAN RAPE HIS ENVIRONMENT SO THAT HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO LIVE IN PEACE WITH IT AND WILL, IN EFFECT, DESTROY HIMSELF. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT IF WE OVERREACH AND HARM OTHERS AND NATURE THE INEVITABLE RESULT IS OUR OWN DOWNFALL. GRANT, O LORD, THAT TRUE SHALOM WILL COME TO THE WORLD. BLESS OUR HONOREE, LT. GOVERNOR WILLIAM HOBBY, THE JNF, AND ALL THOSE WHO WORK FOR HARMONY IN THE WORLD, AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE THIS SHALOM, THIS HARMONY, BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH AND, THUS, TO THEE. AMEN.

OUR FATHER, CREATOR OF ALL OF US, MERCIFUL ONE, GRANT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR JOE GUNN, THE PRESIDENT OF THE TEXAS AFL-CIO, WHO HAS DONE SO MUCH TO INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THE ECONOMY IN THE UNITED STATES AND TO INSURE ESPECIALLY THE SUCCESS OF THE ECONOMY IN TEXAS, GRANT THAT WE WILL ALL REALIZE THAT MAN WAS CREATED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING TO WORK, TO LABOR, THAT WHEN G-D PUT ADAM AND EVE IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN HE PUT THEM THERE TO WORK IT AND TO GUARD IT. GRANT THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT WE, BECAUSE WE ARE PARTNERS WITH G-D IN CREATION, THAT LABOR IS A SACRED TRUST, THAT ALL OF US HAVE BEEN CREATED SO THAT WE CAN GIVE OF OUR TALENTS AND OF OUR BODY AND OF OUR MIND TO MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT NONE OF US WILL EVER SHIRK OUR RESPONSIBILITY, THAT ALL OF US WILL ALLOW EVERYONE IN THIS WORLD TO GIVE OF HIS LABOR SO THIS WORLD CAN BE A BETTER PLACE. GRANT THAT NONE OF US WILL DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OTHERS NO MATTER WHAT THEIR RACE, COLOR, OR RELIGION, SO THAT THEY CAN TOIL IN THIS WORLD TO MAKE IT A BETTER PLACE. GRANT ALSO, O LORD, THAT AS THE TALMUD SAID, THAT A FAIR WAGE MUST BE PAID FOR A FAIR DAY'S LABOR. GRANT, O LORD, THAT NONE OF US WILL TRY TO DESTROY THAT WHICH THOU HAST CREATED BUT INSTEAD WILL TRY TO ENHANCE IT, THAT WE WILL ALL TRY TO MAKE THIS WORLD A VERITABLE GARDEN. GRANT ALSO, O LORD, THAT THE WORK OF THE JNF WILL BE ENHANCED. THE JNF IS TRYING TO MAKE A GARDEN OUT OF ONE SMALL LITTLE PIECE OF THIS WORLD WHICH BEFORE HAD BEEN TURNED INTO DESERT. GRANT ALSO, O LORD, THAT THE JEWISH PEOPLE, WHO HAVE BEEN DENIED SO OFTEN FOR SO MANY HUNDREDS OF YEARS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP THEIR TALENTS, BOTH OF THEIR BODY AND MIND, WHOSE LABOR HAD BEEN REJECTED BY SO MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLES, THAT THE JEWISH PEOPLE WILL NOW BE ABLE TO GIVE OF THEIR LABOR AND OF THEIR MIND AND OF THE BODY TOTALLY TO ENHANCE AND DEVELOP THE GARDEN OF THE LAND OF ISRAEL. GRANT ALSO, O LORD, THAT ALL OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE AS SAMUEL GOMPERS SAID, A PROUD JEW AND ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF AFL-CIO, THAT LABOR IS A SACRED TRUST, THAT IT WAS GIVEN TO US IN ORDER TO ENHANCE OUR LIVES, AND THAT WE BECOME TRULY PARTNERS IN CREATION WITH

THEE WHEN WE LABOR. GRANT, O LORD, THAT THE EFFORTS OF JOE GUNN AND THOSE WHO WORK WITH HIM WILL BE CROWNED WITH SUCCESS, THAT LABOR WILL ALWAYS BE TREATED WITH DIGNITY, THAT ALL THOSE WHO LABOR WITH THEIR HANDS AND THEIR MINDS WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO UNDER WONDERFUL WORKING CONDITIONS, THAT THEY WILL BE TREATED FAIRLY AND HONESTLY SO THAT TRULY ALL OF US TOGETHER WILL BE ABLE TO CREATE A VERITABLE GARDEN IN THIS WORLD. MAY THIS HAPPEN SOON, AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING TOGETHER, BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH AND TO THEE. AMEN.

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL LIFE, AUTHOR OF ~~ALL~~ HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS, WHO HAS ROOTED MAN ON THE GROUND BUT HAS ALLOWED HIS IMAGINATION TO SOAR AND RANGE TO THE HEIGHTS, WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH THE NEED TO GROUND OUR DREAMS IN REALITY, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR THE WORK OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT DREAMS WITHOUT THE VEHICLES TO ROOT THEM IN LIFE ONLY LEAD TO FRUSTRATION AND DESTRUCTION WHILE WORK AND TOIL WHICH ARE NOT ILLUMINATED BY GREAT DREAMS AND GREAT HOPES WILL LEAD ONLY TO DECAY, DRUDGERY, AND DEPRESSION. GRANT, O LORD, THAT EACH OF US HERE TODAY WILL REALIZE THAT G-D HAS PLACED US IN ONLY A PARTIALLY COMPLETED WORLD, THAT IT IS UP TO US TO FINISH THE JOB. GRANT THAT EACH OF US WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT ISRAEL, THE PROMISED LAND, THE PARADIGM OF MAN'S ROLE ON EARTH IS INCOMPLETE, THAT THE SOIL IS THERE, THE WATER IS THERE, AND THE CLIMATE IS THERE, BUT WE ~~ALL~~ MUST BY ~~ALL~~ WORKING TOGETHER BRING THE WATER TO THE PROPER SOIL AND ~~EVEN~~ BRING THE PROPER SOILS TO THE RIGHT CLIMATE IF THE LAND IS TO FULFILL ITS PROMISE. GRANT, O LORD, THAT WE WILL ALWAYS REALIZE THAT THIS IS TRUE IN OUR PERSONAL ~~LIFE~~ AS WELL, THAT UNLESS WE CONSTANTLY APPLY OURSELVES TO THE REALIZING OF JEWISH IDEALS BY CONSTANTLY DEEPENING OUR DEVOTION TO MORAL PRINCIPLES AND TO WARMER INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS THEN WE, TOO, WILL BECOME A SPIRITUAL DESERT. OUR PROMISE WILL NOT BE FULFILLED. BLESS, O LORD, THE WORK OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS MADE POSSIBLE THE REJUVENATION OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR ANCIENT HOMELAND ~~AND WHICH HAS CAUSED THE DREAMS OF COUNTLESS GENERATIONS TO BECOME A REALITY~~ AND WHICH HAS PROVED THAT ~~ISRAEL~~ ^{a Jewish people} UNITED WITH ITS DREAMS BY HARD WORK ^{itself and with an} IS ^{create a} TRULY THE PROMISED LAND. MAY IT FLUORISH AND CONTINUE TO GROW. MAY THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND CONTINUE TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR ~~DREAMS~~ ^{hopes} AND CONTINUE TO RENEW ALL THOSE WHO WORK FOR IT. MAY PEACE COME SOON TO ISRAEL AND ALL MANKIND, AND MAY WE ALL BY HELPING TO CLEAR GROUND AND PLANT TREES FIND OUR ROOTS DEEP, OUR HEADS HIGH, ^{and all} ~~REACHING~~ ^{Reaching} TOWARD ^{was} HEAVEN AND THUS ~~BEING~~ ^{my we're war thy} DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE.

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THEY, THROUGH ITS PAGES AND COLUMNS, TRY TO UNITE THE JEWISH PEOPLE TO ^{in Houston}
CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE JEWISH FUTURE. THEY DISPLAY TO EVERYONE
HOW THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN HOUSTON IS TRYING TO REALIZE JEWISH DREAMS. THEY
ACCURATELY SHOW HOW SOME OF US HAVE ATTENUATED THE DREAMS AND HOW SOME OF US
HAVE FAILED TO IMPLEMENT THE DREAMS WE SAY WE ^{do} ~~STILL~~ HOLD. THEIR PAPER IS ONE
OF THE PRIME VEHICLES FOR ^{the tolerance} ~~COMMUNICATION~~ OF ~~THE~~ JEWISH DREAMS IN OUR COMMUNITY.
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