

אמן אלהים אבינו אלהינו אלהינו

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O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, THE SOURCE OF ALL EQUITY AND JUSTICE, GRANT THAT WE WILL ALL TAKE TO HEART THE LESSON OF DEUTERONOMY 16:20 WHERE WE READ: "JUSTICE, JUSTICE YOU SHALL PURSUE." IT HAS BEEN ASKED, WHY WAS THE WORD "JUSTICE" REPEATED, AND THE ANSWER GIVEN IS THAT THE BIBLE IS TEACHING US THAT WE ARE NOT TO USE UNJUST MEANS TO SECURE THE VICTORY OF JUSTICE. JUSTICE IS STRONG ENOUGH, DIVINE ENOUGH TO TRIUMPH WITHOUT ITSELF RESORTING TO INJUSTICE. JUSTICE IS THE BASIS OF ALL ETHICS. AS THE PSALMISTS SAID: "RIGHTEOUSNESS AND JUSTICE ARE THE FOUNDATIONS OF THY THRONE." LET US ALWAYS REMEMBER, TOO, O LORD, AS THE PROPHET MICAH SAID, THAT "TO DO JUSTLY AND TO LOVE MERCY AND TO WALK HUMBLY BEFORE THY G-D" IS WHAT G-D DEMANDS FROM EACH OF US. MAY WE ALWAYS TRY TO LIVE UP TO THIS CHARGE, AND MAY WE ALWAYS REALIZE THAT TO LOVE JUSTICE <sup>Means Am</sup> ~~MEANS~~ AWE INSPIRED RESPECT FOR THE PERSONALITY OF OTHERS AND THEIR INALIENABLE RIGHTS. O LORD, BLESS ALL THOSE ASSEMBLED HERE TODAY. GRANT ESPECIALLY TO JUDGE DAVID HITTNER AND TO ALL THE OTHER JUDGES PRESENT TODAY THY INSIGHT SO THAT TRUE JUSTICE WILL ALWAYS REIGN IN OUR SOCIETY, AND SO THAT THE WORDS OF AMOS WILL ALWAYS BE TRUE IN AMERICA, THAT "JUSTICE MAY ROLL DOWN AS WATERS AND RIGHTEOUSNESS AS A MIGHTY STREAM," AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING TOGETHER FOR JUSTICE, EFFECT THE QUIETNESS AND CONFIDENCE AND PEACE IN EVERY AMERICAN WHICH ISAIAH PROMISES FOR THOSE WHO PURSUE JUSTICE, AND MAY WE ALL, BY WORKING TOGETHER TO SECURE JUSTICE, BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND, THUS, TO THEE. AMEN.

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# Justice.

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, WHO HAS ENDOWED MAN WITH DIGNITY AND SELF-RESPECT, GRANT THAT TONIGHT AS WE LEARN ABOUT THE STIRRING STORY OF MASADA THAT WE WILL EVER BE CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT THE DESIRE OF EVERYONE AND EVERY GROUP TO BE TREATED WITH EQUALITY AND JUSTICE IS BASIC IF WE ARE TO HAVE ANY TYPE OF UNITY OR HARMONY IN SOCIETY. GRANT THAT OUR SISTERHOOD AND OUR SHUL WILL ALWAYS BE WILLING TO TREAT OTHER GROUPS WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT AND IN TURN TO DEMAND THIS SAME DIGNITY AND RESPECT FOR THEMSELVES. MAY THE MEMORY OF THE MARTYRS OF MASADA STIR US ALL TO REALIZE THAT ONLY A PERSON OR GROUP WHICH RESPECTS ITSELF AND DEMANDS TO BE TREATED WITH RESPECT CAN SURVIVE AND BE CREATIVE AND BE RESPECTED BY OTHERS. MAY OUR SISTERHOOD AND SHUL BE SUCH ORGANIZATIONS. AMEN.

Justice

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, CREATOR OF ALL MEN, AUTHOR OF INDIVIDUALITY, AND THE SOURCE OF HARMONY WHO HAS ENDOWED MAN WITH DIGNITY AND SELF-RESPECT AND ALSO WITH THE DESIRE TO COUNT AND BE COUNTED ~~AND~~ <sup>Together</sup> WITH THE DESIRE TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT AS LONG AS HE IS ACKNOWLEDGED AS A HUMAN BEING, GRANT THAT AS WE GATHER HERE TODAY TO HONOR A UNIQUE INDIVIDUAL <sup>Chief Caldwell</sup> WE WILL ALWAYS BE CONSCIOUS OF THE FACT THAT EVERY INDIVIDUAL AND EVERY GROUP NEEDS TO BE TREATED WITH EQUALITY AND JUSTICE IF WE ARE TO HAVE ANY TYPE OF UNITY OR HARMONY IN SOCIETY. GRANT THAT WE WILL ALWAYS BE WILLING TO TREAT ~~GROUP~~ <sup>Every</sup> GROUP WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT AND IN TURN TO DEMAND THE SAME DIGNITY AND RESPECT FOR OURSELVES.

<sup>O'Lord</sup> SHOWER ALL YOUR BLESSINGS, ~~O LORD~~, ON HARRY CALDWELL, THE OUTGOING CHIEF OF POLICE <sup>of Houston</sup> WHO HAS TRIED WITH EVERY FIBER OF HIS BEING TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY GROUP IN THIS CITY WAS TO BE TREATED WITH RESPECT AND DIGNITY, <sup>and who has always</sup> ~~that~~ UNDERSTOOD THAT GOOD LAW ENFORCEMENT CAN ONLY TAKE PLACE WHEN PEOPLE RESPECT THEMSELVES AND ARE RESPECTED BY OTHERS. MAY HIS ADMINISTRATION SERVE AS A MODEL FOR OTHERS, AND MAY OUR CITY OF HOUSTON CONTINUE ON THE PATH OF BETTER GROUP UNDERSTANDING, AND MAY IT PROSPER AND BECOME A SYMBOL OF MAN'S ABILITY TO LIVE TOGETHER IN HARMONY AND UNITY WITHOUT VIOLENCE.



**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

**FOR THE**

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

**The Investiture of**

**DAVID HITTNER**

**as a**

**United States District Judge**

**July 23, 1986**

**The Investiture of**

**DAVID HITTNER**

**OPENING OF COURT**

**The Honorable John V. Singleton,  
*Chief Judge***

**INVOCATION**

**Rabbi Joseph R. Radinsky,  
*United Orthodox Synagogues of Houston***

**PRESENTATION OF JUDGE HITTNER**

**The Honorable Peter S. Solito,  
*Judge, 164th District Court of Texas***

**READING OF THE COMMISSION**

**The Honorable Jesse E. Clark,  
*Clerk of the Court***

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH**

**Chief Judge Singleton**

**ROBING**

**Helen Mintz Hittner, M.D.**

**REMARKS**

**James B. Sales, Esquire**

**RESPONSE**

**Judge Hittner**

**BENEDICTION**

**Rabbi Radinsky**

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**FOR THE**

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**The Honorable Ross N. Sterling**

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**The Honorable Norman W. Black**

**The Honorable George P. Kazen**

**The Honorable Gabrielle K. McDonald**

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*Senior District Judge*

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**The Honorable Owen D. Cox**

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**The Honorable Karen K. Brown**

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**The Honorable Susan Rees Williams**

**The Honorable Charles B. Smith**

**The Court in Session at:**

**SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE OF LAW**

**1303 San Jacinto Street**

**Houston, Texas**

**Wednesday, July 23, 1986**

**4:00 P.M.**