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Every living and thriving organization, such as our beloved Kodimoh Sisterhood, is like a song. Our efforts are harmonious, and our purposes are uplifting. We like to think that working on behalf of Sisterhood brings happiness and joy to those who participate. Like a song, there are solo-parts, certain tasks which can best be performed only by dedicated individuals; and there are chorus-parts, projects which can succeed only when everybody participates together. There are times, such as during the summer, when the tempo of the Sisterhood melody is slow; and times, such as during the bazaar preparation, when it is fast. Like a song, Sisterhood inspires us; it makes us forget our own woes and irritations; it represents something fresh, and charming and delightful; and it makes us want to sing along with it.

It is therefore fitting that at this meeting, the culmination of our year's work, when we instal the officers who will conduct the orchestra of Sisterhood's efforts next year, that we instal these officers with Song.

Some of these songs may be familiar to you, in which case you are invited to join me in them. Others, though new to you, are the kind which you can ~~ma~~ hum along with me. All of them are Hebrew songs, and all come from our sacred Prayerbook, the Siddur.

Our first officers to be installed are the TRUSTEES. Mrs. Kimball, Mrs. Kletsky and Mrs. Ben Silver know their work well. It requires <sup>accepting</sup> ~~being~~ the faithful trustee<sup>-ship</sup> of all that is valuable to Sisterhood. It means keeping a watchful and wakeful eye over all that happens with us. The Trustees are the loyal watchmen, the vigilant guards of Sisterhood. It is appropriate in installing such officers, to recite, in song, the words of our Siddur in which we appeal to G-d in His capacity as SHOMER YISRAEL, ~~THE~~ the Guardian of Israel, the Divine Trustee of our people, and we ask of Him: Guardian or Trustee of Israel, watch over the remnant of Israel, and do not allow harm to befall Israel who daily recite the words "Hear O Israel, the Lord is our G-d, the Lord is One." ~~The Trustees will now rise.~~

Song.....SHOMER YISROEL

Our AUDITORS this coming year are again to be Mrs. Judleson and Mrs. Tarsky. Their task is to check the books of our Sisterhood, to make sure at all times that our books tell a picture of health, of life and liveliness. And just as they must check for the signs of Organizational life and health in the books of our Sisterhood, so do we now sing a song from the High Holy Days Machzor, the famous prayer KUSVEINU L'CHAYYIM, in which we ask G-d to inscribe us for life and health in His Book of destiny. The Auditors will please rise.

Song.....KUSVEINU L'CHAYYIM



No organization can succeed unless its finances are in proper order. One of the functions of a group like Sisterhood is to contribute to our Kodimoh financially as well as otherwise. Most of our great efforts are devoted to fund-raising, to replenishing our treasury under the leadership of our TREASURER, Mrs. Louis Saffer. As Mrs. Saffer can well tell us, no matter how well we do, we must always hope for success, we must always turn to G-d and ask Him for further help and guidance. We ask our Father and our King, our AVINU MALKEINU, to grant us TZEDAKKAH VA'CHESSED - charity and love. With more TZEDAKKAH to fill our treasury, and more CHESSED or love to bind us together even closer, we will be more successful than we ever hoped. We ~~therefore ask Mrs. Saffer to rise as we~~ <sup>together</sup> sing the well-known

Song...AVINU MALKEINU

*Mrs. Fleischman as Fin. Sec'y,*

The SECRETARIES of our group, ~~both~~ Mrs. Mindel as Recording Sec'y and Mrs. Steinberg as Corresponding Sec'y, are the ones who through <sup>their records +</sup> minutes and correspondence, write the history of Kodimoh's Sisterhood. It is our hope and prayer, and the purpose of all our strenuous work, that this history that our secretaries write always be one of progress. We hope, as we install ~~our~~ secretaries, that what they will record this coming year will be based on the pattern of the passage from the Haggadah: AVADIM HAYINU L'FARO

BE'MITZRAYIM, we were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt, and now we are free. To Mrs. Fleischman, so well experienced in her office, we wish continued good luck. To Mrs. Mindel and Mrs. Steinberg, who are both young and comparatively new in Sisterhood, we express our hopes that as good as things are now <sup>as</sup> ~~that~~ they enter their offices with which they are honored, they will write such a record that our present accomplishments will <sup>seem</sup> ~~same~~ pale in comparison.

Just as our forefathers progressed from slavery to freedom, so we may progress, with the help of our <sup>three</sup> ~~two new~~ officers, from our present station <sup>become</sup> to the finest Sisterhood in the country. To express this hope, I ask you in joining me in singing the

Song.....AVADIM HAYINU

Of our three VICE-PRESIDENTS, Mrs. Aaron Kurn is the veteran. A hard, industrious and devoted worker for Kodimoh Sisterhood as well as for so many other worthy groups, her main quality is her immediate response to all requests for work on behalf of Sisterhood. Whenever help is needed, whatever work must be done, one can always call on Mrs. Kurn. Her key word is the Hebrew HINENI - "here I am". That is her answer to the question, "who will work for Sisterhood".

Mrs. Okun, as one of Sisterhood's younger members who shows such great promise for the future, ~~leadership for highest leadership of Kodimoh Sisterhood,~~ we welcome you back to the present high office you hold. Your climb upward towards ever more responsible positions is one which has been steady and solid. Your mark in this administration is the word MUCHAN - prepared. In your various tasks, to which you have been assigned, you have shown the quality of thorough preparation. You have succeeded in your special projects, especially in such things as Donors, and all these are part of your preparation for leadership. Now again we install you in the office of Vice President where you will continue to grow in the quality of MUCHAN.



Mrs. Chiz, you too are in the category of the younger element to whom all of us look as a source of leadership, both present and even more in the future. Your record is one that speaks for itself. You have undertaken certain responsibilities and discharged them with great success. When you agree to undertake a project, your motto is the Hebrew word MEZUMAN- "ready". You agree ~~only~~ <sup>then we can</sup> when ready for it, and ~~the we can~~ <sup>then we can</sup> all be sure that you will see it through to a most successful conclusion. When you undertook the Membership Campaign, you ~~said~~ were MEZUMAN - ready, and many ladies here this day are <sup>living</sup> proof of your efficiency because of your readiness.

To all our three Vice Presidents we wish the best of luck. To the one represented by HINENI - "Here I am"; to the one symbolized by MUCHAN - "prepared"; to the one characterized by MEZUMAN - "ready", <sup>we wish</sup> 210 134 And in their honor we sing a song composed primarily of those three words - HINENI MUCHAN U'MEZUMAN - here I am, prepared and ready to do the will of my Creator.

Song....HINENI MUCHAN U'MEZUMAN

We are now to install our President for her second term in office. Mrs. George Vinnick has proven herself worthy of our confidence. She has understood that the function of a President is not just that of an administrator, but that of a leader: that is, one who inspires us to new goals and directs us to higher aims and achievements. A President must always guide

her members to look to the future. She must discourage the natural tendency to live in the past, and point out to us the great potentials we have, and all that can be gained in the bright and golden future. In a sense, this is a typically Jewish quality. We have been looking to the future for some three thousand years now, waiting and working patiently for the MESHIACH, for Messiah. The belief that MESHIACH will come is one which is based on the Jewish love for life, on our <sup>healthy</sup> ~~helathy~~ optimism, and on our faith in the future. To Mrs. Vinnick as our President we look for the inspiration to bring out ~~this~~ quality of optimism and confidence in each of us. She must keep on reminding us what we know is true: that Kodimoh has a great future, and with it, Sisterhood's Golden Age is yet to come.

In order to accomplish this task of encouraging us to confidence in the future, the most important requirement is Faith. It means the faith of the President in her group, ~~and~~ the faith of us in our President, and the faith of all of us in ~~the~~ what Sisterhood and Kodimoh stand for - that is, Torah. ~~and~~ Mrs. Vinnick's quality of faith in us and what we stand for was amply demonstrated this past year when she gave so freely of her time and her self to Sisterhood, ~~when~~ she devoted her best efforts to us ~~in~~ even when so many demands were made upon her time and attention by pressing family problems out-of-town. Together we can build even better in the future, if we continue that faith. All of us must be able to say the words ANI MAAMIN - "I believe" or "I have faith". But especially is that required of the President. It is most appropriate, therefore, to instal our President

with a song of faith in the future, of belief in the Messiah,  
a song using the words of the great <sup>M</sup>aimonides, ANI MAAMIN BE'EMUNAH  
SHELEIMAH BE'VIAS HA'MASHIACH, " I believe with whole faith in the  
coming of the Messiah, and whenever he is to come - I shall wait for  
him."

Song....ANI MAAMIN

*Tavrof*



Kodunah S. Steinfeld  
Installation  
beg.

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INVOCATION

Almighty G-d:

Grant that at this occasion of the installation of new officers, that we Thy daughters be led in the paths of righteousness and the ~~ways~~ of Thy Torah.

Give to those who have labored in Thy vineyard, both the incoming and outgoing administrations, the courage and inspiration to continue to serve Thee and their fellow Jews.

To our new officers give Thy guidance;

To all our members Thy light;

To our families health and happiness;

To all of us Thy unending blessings.

Amen