

~~Shankar~~

Washington D.C.

God of our years and keeper of our destiny, in whose providence our days are set to music we praise thee for the adventure of life. We praise thee for the wonder and mystery of life. For the men of faith - and courage - and ~~and~~ patience who are ever seeking through knowledge and truth - solutions to ease burdens for the betterment of mankind.

We praise thee for the eager gladness of our friends and the strong support of comrades in the arena of struggle, and for all the joys of human relationships.

We remember with gratitude our goodly heritage; wisdom gained through the years, knowledge of thee and of the meaning of our own lives and spiritual experiences of pure joy.

Consecration

And as we face the future with hope, we consecrate the remaining days of our lives to thy service and to the service of mankind. We face the future with hope. Thou who hast made our achievements possible and our lives so pleasant wilt continue thy goodness.

Great expectations fill our hearts. We look forward to new beginnings, fresh opportunities, wider horizons, and ~~set~~ achievements.

— When we carry the torch of enlightenment, or wear the cloak of privilege - or stand in places of honor, help us to dedicate our enlightenment, our privilege, our honors to the welfare of mankind. We ask in the name of our Heavenly Father and in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen