

Miracles

O LORD, MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE, THE AUTHOR OF ALL LIFE, THE SOURCE OF ALL COURAGE AND HOPE, THE RULER OF THE DESTINIES OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND _____, WHO HAS CREATED EACH OF US WITH DREAMS OF GREAT MORAL VISION AND GOODNESS AND WHO HAS CREATED US ALSO WITH LIMITED AND FINITE CAPACITIES, GRANT THAT NONE OF US WILL EVER LOSE HOPE OR BE OVERWHELMED BECAUSE OF THE ENORMITY OF THE TESTS AHEAD OF US. GRANT, O LORD, THAT AS WE APPROACH THE HOLIDAY OF CHANNUKAH WE WILL ALWAYS BE MINDFUL OF THE LESSON OF THE MACCABEES, HOW THE FEW CAN OVERCOME GREAT OBSTACLES, HOW DEDICATION, DEVOTION, COURAGE, AND BRAVERY CAN SAVE A PEOPLE AND REDEEM A WHOLE GENERATION. GRANT, O LORD, THAT NONE OF US WILL EVER LOSE HEART OR THE DETERMINATION TO PERSEVERE IN ORDER TO STRIVE TO ATTAIN OUR GOALS, EVEN THOUGH WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY STUMBLING BLOCKS LIE IN OUR PATHS. GRANT, O LORD, THAT NONE OF US WILL EVER FORSAKE THY LIGHT, THY VISION, AND THAT WE MAY ALL BE PRIVILEGED TO SPREAD THY VISION TO PLACES WHERE IT MAY NOT HAVE YET REACHED, AND THAT WE ALL MAY, BY SO DOING, BE DRAWN CLOSER TO EACH OTHER AND TO THEE. AMEN.