Modim Anachnu Lach

We give thanks to you, Oh God

On this, our nation's Day of Thanksgiving, we take stock of the gifts and bounty we enjoy living in this blessed country. As we sit down to our Thanksgiving meal, our tradition teaches us the importance of saying todah, of thanking You, oh God, for our lot.

As you are generous to us, so may show our appreciation for the goodness we know by being sensitive to all and by extending our hand to those who are less fortunate. We especially think of those whose homes and lives have been uprooted and devastated by the recent storm. Help us to appreciate the blessings of health and the fragility of our own existence by remembering and being Your messenger to those in our community who may be without food and shelter.

Let us remember the blessings and responsibilities of the ties which bind us together as a nation. May we always show appreciation for all those around us, and remind us to cherish the people in our lives while they are with us.

We ask You for security – for our families, our communities, our Nation, and our people. We pray for the safety of our brothers and sisters in Israel and those who serve this nation. May we all know the blessing of peace.

Finally, we ask you to envelop us in Your sukkat shalom, Your canopy of peace and protection on this day of Thanksgiving.

Amen

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