

# THE OATH AND PRAYER of MAIMONIDES

A 12th Century Physician



**H**Y eternal Providence has appointed me to watch over the life and health of Thy creatures. May the love for my art actuate me at all times; may neither avarice nor miserliness, nor the thirst for glory nor for a great reputation engage my mind for the enemies of truth and philanthropy could easily deceive me and make me forgetful of my lofty aim of doing good to Thy children. May I never see in a patient anything but a fellow creature in pain. Grant me strength, time and opportunity always to correct what I have acquired, always to extend its domain, for knowledge is immense and the spirit of man can extend indefinitely to enrich itself daily with new requirements.

Today he can discover his errors of yesterday and tomorrow he may obtain new light on what he thinks himself sure of today.

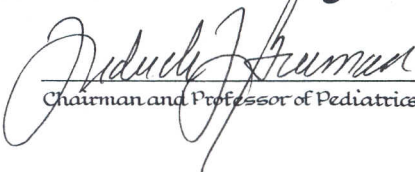
O God, Thou hast appointed me to watch over the life and death of Thy creatures. Here I am, ready for my vocation.

Congratulations to Munish Kumar, M.D.

upon graduation from the Department of Pediatrics, Schneider Children's Hospital, North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System.

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