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By the Grace of G-d Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan, 5741

The distinguished scholar, Rabbi Moshe Wiener, Shlita, a member of our Agudas HaRabbonim, has shown us the manuscript of his new book, Kvuda Bas Melech ("Glory of the King's Daughter"). This brilliant volume elucidates and clarifies the laws of hair-covering and garment requirements for women. It is a well-organized encyclopedia of Halachic rulings on these topics.

Rabbi Wiener has already established his ability and reputation with his previous publication, as was attested to by the most eminent Rabbinical authorities.

May the hands of the author be strengthened to publish this important book. We congratulate him on this worthy achievement, and are confident that it will be widely appreciated and considered a veritable blessing by those acquiring it.

We affix our seal in honor of the Torah and in honor of the author, Shlita,

THE UNION OF ORTHODOX RABBIS OF THE U.S.A. AND CANADA (Rabbi) Z.M. Ginsberg, Director

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The Talmud (Eruvin 6a) tells us how the famous sage, Rav, upon arriving in Bavel, "found a breach [in Torah observance] and fenced it in" (i.e. he instituted measures to check the area of religious laxity).

The same has been the preoccupation of the Rabbis of our people throughout the generations. When they "find a breach," they "fence it in," and rectify any infringement of Jewish law. Besides their Torah-study for its own sake (to "increase Torah and glorify it"), they also dedicate themselves to its practical application ("great is Torah-study in that it brings one to the practice of the Mitzvos") — studying and teaching in order to facilitate observance and practice. They instruct the people — through the spoken and written word — concerning the proper path to follow in matters of particular urgency in daily life. And especially when they find a "breach," they make certain to "fence it in."

The esteemed, distinguished scholar, Rabbi Moshe Wiener, Shlita, has already gained renown with his monumental work, Hadras Ponim — Zokon, which has been greeted with admiration in all circles of Torah scholarship. Even more significant, it has ex-erted a tremendous practical influence upon all of those who hold Mitzvos dear, and has inspired many to adhere to the Halachic precepts expounded therein. This is most certainly a case of "finding a breach and fencing it in."

Now, the author has again "found a breach," and again "fenced it in."

The breach: There exists a serious breakdown in observance of standards of modesty in women's dress as specified by the Torah. The situation is due largely to ignorance. But even those aware of the Halachic perspective on this subject are often confused as to which aspects are the absolute requirements of the law, which are based on traditional custom, and which are considered extra pious practice. Few have any clear knowledge of the details of these laws, and this frequently results in confusion as to the correct practice.

The author has now "fenced in" the problem by striving hard at the "toil of Torah" to gather together all the rulings of our Sages from the Talmud and earlier and latter codifiers on the subject of modesty in dress. He has assembled them all, together with his own pertinent comments and explanatory notes, into a practical manual, set out in orderly fashion, each law together with its complete documentation, in a way that facilitates reading by anyone. The name given this new volume is Kvuda Bas Melech ("Glory of the King's Daughter").

Actually, the author's ability and reputation has already been firmly established by his previous work. However, though seemingly superfluous, I come to reinforce him with Torah strength, to demand that all Jewish women and girls obey all he has written here in its entirety, and that all men take care to ensure that all these Halachic requirements are observed within their households, speaking (as our Sages counsel) with "soft, words" and yet with firmness and determination.

I am confident that the author's writings will be widely dis-seminated and well-received among all Jewish communities throughout the world, and that this book will have its required effect, which is indeed most vital.

I affix my signature in honor of the Torah and its Mitzvos (Rabbi) Zalman Shimon (ben Yeruchem) Dworkin

By the Grace of G-d

Although the words of the renowned Rov and Gaon, head of the Beis-Din (Rabbinical Court) of our community, need no support whatsoever, we have nevertheless decided to fulfill the exhortation of our sages (Berachos 26a) to include ourselves with our colleagues in the performance of a Mitzvah.

We therefore join the other Rabbinic authorities in expressing both gratitude and praise to the Rabbi and author, Shlita, upon the publication of his present work, Kvuda Bas Melech, intended to promote the cause of moral purity.

It is our fervent hope and aspiration that through this volume these laws will be clarified in the eyes of all Jews: men, women and children, and that many will indeed be inspired to follow in its paths, "in order that they may hear and learn and observe" all the laws of modesty in women's dress as expounded in this book of practical Halachic instruction.

(Rabbi) Yehuda Kalman Marlow, Member of Beis-Din (Rabbi) Avrohom Osdoba, Member of Beis-Din

## RABBI SHMUEL HALEVI WOSNER

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By the Grace of G-d Fourth day of Sedra Vayeira 5741

To my most respected friend, distinguished scholar, who brings merit upon the public, Rabbi Moshe Wiener, Shlita

Fondest Greetings!

I have received your valued letter with the printer's galleys of your new book, Kvuda Bas Melech ("Glory of the King's Daughter"), which is written with the worthy intent of drawing attention to and correcting misconceptions concerning the Halachic regulations of women's dress and hair-covering.

It is a well-arranged work, compiling the opinions of the early codifiers and the outstanding latter authorities.

Although I could not read through the entire work, I was able to perceive your noble intention of "standing guard at the weak point" and demonstrating the mistakes so many make regarding these laws. It is obvious that you have worked a long time on preparation of this volume.

I therefore hereby announce my endorsement of your project to publish this book and thereby bring merit to the public. May the good L-rd grant you the privilege of totally dedicating your life to Torah-study and sincere service of G-d as your heart desires.

Awaiting the upliftment of the glory of Torah and fear of G-d, (Rabbi) Shmuel HaLevi Wosner