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Remarks by Mrs. Johanne Scarpellini on the occasion of the marriage of his daughter, Mellisa, to Mr. Bineet Mougdil.

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GOOD [AFTERNOON/EVENING], everybody. I’M JOHANNE [SCARPELLINI], AND I’M the proud and doting MOTHER of [pointing to MELLISA] that gorgeous SHINING STAR over there: my dear, sweet daughter, MELLISA, WHO, I CAN ASSURE YOU, IS ABSOLUTELY AS BEAUTIFUL ON THE INSIDE AS SHE IS ON THE OUTSIDE.

i’m so grateful to all of you for joining us AT this joyful event [THIS AFTEROON/EVENING], ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO’VE HAD TO TRAVEL A BIT TO BE HERE. and i’d like to give VERY special THANKS AND APPRECIATION to BALWANT AND BEENA MOUDGIL, BINEET’S PARENTS and their guests, for helping us celebrate OUR DAUGHTER’S nuptuals. [TO BINEET’S PARENTS] YOU’VE RAISED A WONDERFUL SON, BALWANT AND BEENA, AND I’M

ENORMOUSLY PROUD THAT HE’S NOW BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR FAMILY, AS WELL.

now, any of you MOTHERS out there who’ve WATCHED YOUR daughter GLIDE down the aisle at her wedding knows the temendous mish-mosh of emotions every MOTHER goes through at a time like this. on the one hand, you’re faced with the stark reality that you’re losing your little girl, and there’s a certain sadness to this that only a PARENT can know. of course, she’ll never stop being, at least in your mind, “MOMMy’s little girl.” but now she’s “all growed up,” as they say, a woman in her own right and a beautiful blushing bride.

on the other hand, you couldn’t possibly be *happier* than you are on YOUR DAUGHTER’S WEDDING DAY, BECAUSE you realize that your little girl’s marrying the man of her dreams, a man you’ve come to know

and love and appreciate as a man of substance, who loves and cherishes your daughter truly and deeply, just as you’d hoped and PRAYED her husband would do. and gaining such a wonderful son-in-law as BINEET makes me happier than i could possibly express.

I’M TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT THE LOVE AFFAIR BETWEEN MELLISA AND BINEET WAS A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN, AND WAS, FOR MILLISA AT LEAST, A CASE OF LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT. THEIR LOVE HAS ONLY GROWN DEEPER SINCE THAT EVENING THEY MET AT FINN MCCOOL’S REATAURANT IN [NAME OF CITY], AND MELLISA’S STAR HAS ONLY SHONE MORE BRIGHTLY. SO IF I MAY, I’D LIKE TO PROPOSE A TOAST TO MY DEAR, SWEET DAUGHTER AND MY WONDERFUL NEW SON-IN-LAW:

[RAISING A GLASS TOWARD THE BRIDE AND GROOM] MAY YOUR LOVE BE ADDED, AND MAY IT NEVER BE SUBTRACTED. MAY YOUR HOUSEHOLD MULTIPLY AND MAY YOUR HEARTS NEVER BE DIVIDED. MAY YOUR GRASS ALWAYS BE GREEN AND YOUR SKIES FOREVER BLUE. MAY YOU LOOK BACK ON THIS DAY ALWAYS, AND REMEMBER HOW MUCH YOU LOVED EACH OTHER RIGHT AT THIS MOMENT. AND FINALLY: MAY YOU LIVE AS LONG AS YOU WANT AND NEVER WANT FOR AS LONG AS YOU LIVE. GOD BLESS THE TWO OF YOU!

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