Dear all,

Dear Married,

My dearest daughter Kinza (our treasure, hidden treasure) or Kinzarella ( Pause: Kinza loved the Cinderella story and each time we started reading the book to her she corrected us by saying :”No, it is Kinzerella!”)

Pause: When we were choosing a name for our first child we picked Kinza (Kinz:which means treasure and the name of my favored aunt). We could not have chosen a better name because our daughter is truly a treasure. She also has a nickname derived from one of the famous children story Cinderella, her favorite story of all with one exception, as we were saying Cinderella went to the ball to meet her price she will correct us everytime and say it is Kinzerella not Cinderella!”

My son-in-law Andrew,

So Andrew you are her prince but remember the name of your princess is Kinzerella

My children,

Welcome to the groom's parents Josephine and Mike. You now occupy a large place in our family since you are now my daughter’s parents-in-law. I hope we will be good grandparents.

Welcome and thank you to the guests who are kindly celebrating with us the union of our children.

Obviously, I find my daughter more beautiful and more stunning than all the others especially the day of her marriage. That is why I wish to make a wedding speech worthy of it.

I am very proud, moved I admit, but especially very happy today.

Proud, Kinza, to see what woman you have become. Yesterday, a little girl, a very independent and ambitious little girl, observing the world with intense scrutiny and questioning the world of grown-ups. Today, a very fine compassionate doctor who is embarking with love and determination alongside Andrew for a new journey.

Pause: having seen her mom’ work schedule Kinza decided early on in life that she wanted no part of being a physician and wanted to become an English professor ; but something funny happened on the way to the forum and one prior to starting the academic year at GU she announced to our great surprise that she will be taking the premed classes “just in case”. To make a long story short she went form rejecting medicine to becoming an anesthesiologist and falling in love with another doctor.

Proud, Kinza, also to note that we were able to lead you, with my tender Joanna, to this sacred day, the day of your marriage.

You grew up very fast indeed and today you are going to be the wife of a man, then the mother of our grandchildren.

I must now let you go to live your life with your husband and your future family together. I just want to tell you that I love you very much. And I know that your husband also loves you, as he should, that he will protect you, respect you and make you happy.

 I also ask you to be with your in-laws the best of the daughters-in-law.

I would now like to greet my son-in-law, Andrew, the one who asked for my daughter's hand. Andrew, I now give you my role, that of making my daughter happy, of making her blossom in life. I count on you.

We all saw when your rings were given that your love is sincere. It has touched us all.

Finally, I would like to thank all the guests, family members and friends and those who came from far away cities and far away lands to celebrate Kinza’s and Andrew’s most important day.

Let us all celebrate/feast together this day, and wish Kinza and Andrew to live happily and to love each other until the end of their lives.