**Krysia and Brian**

**July 7, 2015**

**Eagle Mountain House, Jackson NH**

**4:00 pm**

**On the third Tee**

*3:45 Seating Starts*

*4:00 Brian, Eddie, Kim are mingling/waiting at back at chairs along fence*

    *- Krysia, Eva (Krysia's Mom), Theresa (Matron of Honor), Kasia, Ania, Micky, & Kieran arrive at top of stairs.*

    *- Theresa (Matron of Honor), Kasia, Ania, Micky, & Kieran proceed down stairs.*
    *- Kasia, Ania, Micky, & Kieran go to their seats*
    *- MUSIC: Pachabel's Canon starts*
    *- Kimberly (JP) goes to the front*
    *- Theresa and Eddie go to the front*
    *- Krysia & Mom proceed down staircase*
    *- At green, Krysia & Mom kiss. Mom is escorted to her seat by Usher David*
    *- Brian takes Krysia's arm and they walk to front together*

*Krysia=Chris-sha Ania=Anya Kasia=Kasha*

WELCOME:

On behalf of Krysia and Brian, I would like to welcome you all here and thank you for joining us on this magnificent day. It is a time of great change, and new beginnings. We appreciate all it took for you to get here, whether you are coming from near or far. Your presence here, to be witnesses on this day, shows this couple how much you care about them, and it means a lot to them.

HONORING THE PARENTS:

Brian and Krysia would like especially to honor their parents, for not only coming here today, but for the incredible journey of love and support it took to get them here. Brian honors his father as well, who passed away eight years ago, and is here in spirit if not in body.

READING:

*Krysia reads while Brian pins boutonnieres onto Carol, Eva, & Andrew during reading.*

**KRYSIA:**
    From seeds
    You watered us.

    As we sprouted
    You helped us grow
    With the warmth
    Of your radiant love.

    Along the way
    You trimmed us
    To keep us safe
    From Harm.

    When we grew out of
    Our little pods,
    You replanted us,
    Where you gave us hope
    And showed us faith
    That we may be able
    To do for others
    As you did for us.

COMING TOGETHER:

Marriage symbolizes the intimate sharing of two lives.  This sharing does not diminish the individuality of each partner; it enhances it.  A marriage that lasts is one which is continually developing and in which each person continues to grow as an individual. Deep knowledge of another person is not something that can be achieved in a short time, and real understanding of another's feelings can only develop with years of intimacy.  This grows out of caring for the other so much that one wants to understand what the other is feeling or as much as is possible.  Marriage is about sharing not only the joys and successes, but the burdens of sorrows and failures as well.  To be known in this way is a priceless thing.

    To quote the writer, Amy Bloom:

    "Marriage is not a ritual or an end. It is a long, intricate, intimate dance together and nothing matters more than your own sense of balance and your choice of partner."

READING:

Krysia and Brian have chosen several poems that the wish to share with  you. First, Krysia’s sister Kasia will read a passage from "The Prophet," by Kah-lil Gibran.

    **KASIA:**
        Love one another, but make not a bond of love:
        Let it rather be a moving sea between the shores of your souls.
        Fill each other's cup but drink not from one cup.
        Give one another of your bread but eat not from the same loaf.
        Sing and dance together and be joyous, but let each one of you be alone,
        Even as the strings of a lute are alone though they quiver with the same music.
        Give your heart, but not into each other's keeping,
        For only the hand of Life can contain your hearts.
        And stand together yet not too near together
        For the Pillars of the temple stand apart,
        And the oak tree and the cypress grow not in each other's shadows

Now, Krysia’s sister Ania will read a poem called "Marriage Advice" by Jane Wells.

    **ANIA:**
        Let your love be stronger than your hate and anger.
        Learn the wisdom of compromise,
        for it is better to bend a little than to break.
        Believe the best rather than the worst.
        People have a way of living up or down
        to your opinion of them.
        Remember that true friendship
        is the basis for any lasting relationship.
        The person you choose to marry
        is deserving of the courtesies
        and kindnesses you bestow on your friends.
        Please hand this down to your children and
        your children's children.

READING:

And, a reading from Brian’s cousin Sharla, two poems on Marriage by Ogden Nash:

    **Sharla:**
        Marriage is the alliance of two people,
        One of whom never remembers birthdays
        And the other never forgets them.

        To keep your marriage brimming,
        With love in the loving cup,
        Whenever you're wrong, admit it;
        Whenever you're right, shut up.

RINGS:

 A ceremony is for a day; a marriage is for a lifetime. The rings that you are about to exchange mark the beginning of a long and exciting journey together.  Let your rings be a reminder of the promises that you have given to each other, and of the love that you share.  As each ring is unbroken, so will your love for each other be without end.

        *(EDDIE - Hands ring to Brian)*
        *(KRYSIA - hands bouquet to Theresa)*
*Brian, please repeat after me*

        I give to you my hands
        To tear away your burdens
        I give to you my mind
        To stretch our dreams to the sun
        I give to you my heart
        To stitch the soul that's sundered
        I give to you all that I am
        And all that I ever will be
        Until the end of our days
        And I shall wish for nothing
        As I smile into the winds
        Krysia, I give you this ring as a symbol of our vows.

Please wear it with love and joy.

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        *(Eddie - Hands ring to Krysia)*
    **Krysia, please repeat after me**

I give to you my hands
        To tear away your burdens
        I give to you my mind
        To stretch our dreams to the sun
        I give to you my heart
        To stitch the soul that's sundered
        I give to you all that I am
        And all that I ever will be
        Until the end of our days
        And I shall wish for nothing
        As I smile into the winds
         Brian, I give you this ring as a symbol of our vows.

Please wear it with love and joy.

INTENTIONS:

Brian, will you have Krysia as your wife, in times of good fortune as well as adversity, forsaking all others to be a kind and faithful husband?  Do you promise to base your life with Krysia on love, caring and understanding?  Do you pledge to speak and to listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of her wishes and desires?

    **BRIAN:**  I do.

Krysia, will you have Brian as your husband, in times of good fortune as well as adversity, forsaking all others to be a kind and faithful husband?  Do you promise to base your life with Brian on love, caring and understanding?  Do you pledge to speak and to listen, to give and receive, and to be considerate of his wishes and desires?

    **KRYSIA:**  I do.

PRONOUNCEMENT:

    May the road rise to meet you.
    May the wind be always at your back.
    May the sun shine warm upon your face,
    The rains fall soft upon the fields.

    It gives me extremely great pleasure to say:
    By the power vested in me, by the state of New Hampshire, I now pronounce you Husband and Wife. You may now kiss!!!!

RECESSIONAL

- MUSIC STARTS

*Krysia and Brian walk through the aisle followed by Theresa and Eddie. They all stop at the top T and turn back.*

**KIM:**
Everyone may now proceed to the cocktail reception on the veranda.  Those would like childcare may go with their children to the carriage house.