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Hi everyone, let's get started: We are here to celebrate you, bride and groom, your commitment to each other, and the life you have created together. The decision to get married requires boldness, commitment, and enduring love, and I can tell how much you care about each other. Please join hands as we read the vows.

Bride and Groom, as you stand in front of me today, do you commit yourselves to the compassion, kindness, honesty, and respect that you each will need for the rest of your lives? ("we do")

Bride, do you take Groom, to have and to hold, for better or worse, in sickness and in health, in times of prosperity and times of need, until death do you part? (I do)

Groom, do you take Bride, to have and to hold, for better or worse, in sickness and in health, in times of prosperity and times of need, until death do you part? (I do)

In 1994, Johnny Cash penned a note to his wife on her birthday, and it reminds me of the partnership that this marriage represents. He wrote: "We get old and we get used to each other. We think alike. We know what the other wants without asking. Sometimes we irritate each other a little bit, maybe sometimes we take each other for granted. But once in a while, like today, I meditate on it and realize how lucky I am to share my life with the greatest woman I ever met. You still fascinate and inspire me, and you influence me for the better."

Inspire each other, be kind to one other, and love each other in times of need. I hope that this marriage will bring you friendship, happiness, and passion as you grow and change in your shared life. Celebrate each other's accomplishments, and remind one another of what brought you together.

It is my pleasure to pronounce you, from this day forward, under the authority of the State of North Carolina and the American Humanist Association, husband and wife. You may now kiss the bride!