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Rodef Sholom Synagogue.  
Resolutions  
of the  
Jews of Philadelphia.  
Sunday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 1884

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Assembled  
In convocation  
to celebrate by a service of  
thanksgiving to the Lord of  
Life the completion of the  
hundredth year of an upright  
and useful existence.

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We tender to  
Sir Moses Montefiore  
our fervent felicitations upon  
an event so rare in the annals  
of humanity, as the rounding  
of a century of life a cent-  
ary so fraught with honorable  
deeds and happy memories.

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We desire to convey to  
Sir Moses an earnest expres-  
sion of the  
Veneration, esteem and affectionate regard  
in which he is held by us in

common with his coreligionists throughout the world, in common with his fellow-men of every land.

[Page 5:]

We are thankful that a life so noble, has been so exceptionally prolonged; and we entertain a just pride, that he is so honored of all men so eminent for all the virtues that adorn the man and the citizen; is a true Jew; steadfast in his adherence to the ancient faith.

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We are grateful for the services which he has rendered to his oppressed and suffering brethren, whose cause has claimed alike the enthusiasm of his youth, the energies of his prime, and the active influence of his venerated age.

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And we rejoice that one so conspicuous in the world's gaze has consistently illustrated the universality of Israel's Law, by embracing within the wide circle of his Unsectarian Benevolence, all men of whatsoever faith or nationality.

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In token of our admiration for his Piety, his Patriotism and his Philanthropy and in humble imitation of his example and actions we do resolve

To create a permanent foundation for the maintenance of aged Israelites,

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To be entrusted to the Jewish Hospital of Philadelphia, and to be known by the name of  
"The Moses Montefiore Centennial Foundation."  
Thus by good deeds will the righteous be held in perpetual memory.

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In honor of one, whose crown of glory has been found in "Paths of peace," the Jews of Philadelphia have adopted these resolutions, in solemn convocation assembled, in the Synagogue Rodef Sholom.

[Signatures:]

Committee:  
David Klein, Chairman,  
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