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In the early life of the World Federation, you nurtured it by giving it 'shelter'. The address '247 A Imperial Drive' on the World Federation letterhead in the early years bears testimony to your care and concern for this fledgling organization. This is so vividly demonstrated by the almost unknown fact that as the WF 'landlord' you not only forgave the rent for months, but quietly paid the staff salaries when times were hard.

While the official title you held as Honorary Treasurer, you were amongst those visionaries who envisioned the noble destination in sea of service. When the waters got choppy, and the few coins in the kitty started rattling, and the expectations grew exponentially, you managed the treasury with characteristic calm and maintained the dignity and credibility of the institution in the service of Imame Zamna (AFT)

Later having handed over the treasureship, you became the auditor. For the next 25 years, it was your guiding hand, that the World Federation was blessed with, in having Meralis as the most able, affable and accommodating firm of Auditors who provided pro bono services for the entire 25 year period of appointment.

More than most, it was your personal integrity and understanding of the need to maintain the fine balance of maintaining the smooth workings by the Secretariat while guiding it to its fiscal and fiduciary responsibility that engendered confidence in the financial affairs of the community. This endeavor of yours that has been a major factor in the WF attaining the highest level of credibility in the Community, and truly has been a hallmark of your leadership. You have joined the ranks of a select few who have consistently served the WF for over a quarter of a century and given the best years of their life in the service of the Community..

With this Citation, on 02 March 2008, on behalf of the entire Khoja Shia Ithnaasheri Community we acknowledge, applaud, and appreciate with deep gratitude your selfless services and pray for your tawfeeqat. We also take this opportunity to extend our thanks to the staff at Meralis for all their efforts and assistance over the years.