- 1. "I promise to love and respect you and to put energy into keeping our love alive. I will be there for you in good times and bad. I will help you when you need help and make space for you to be yourself. I will try to bring you happiness."
- "I will dedicate myself to you wholeheartedly. I will make time for you and support you in everything you do. I will help you to raise our children to become loving people, and support you in the fundamental role of parent.
   I pledge my life to you. I will love, honor and respect you in happy and sad times. I promise to be faithful to only you as long as we both live."
- "I \_\_\_, promise to love and cherish you\_\_, for the rest of your life. I will try to bring laughter to your life, and make you happy, I will consider you in the decisions I have to make and value your opinions. Today I vow to be your husband/wife for the rest of our lives.

I will seek to always be loving unto you. I will share your joys and your sorrows and will be devoted unto you until the ultimate parting."

4. "\_\_\_, I \_\_\_, take you to be my husband/wife. To have, to hold from this day forward, for better, for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish till death we do part, and this is my solemn vow.

\_\_\_, today I promise to respect you always. I will share the good times and bad times with you, be a support and guide. Above all, I will love you from now until our day's end."

5. "I, \_\_\_\_\_, promise to be to you, \_\_\_\_, a true and loving companion. I promise to be the best husband/wife and parent that I can be and to commit myself forever to our relationship together.

Today I promise to be your husband/wife. I will be faithful and honest, loving and trustworthy. I will seek to bring you stability and order in a chaotic world. I will be your partner and friend for life."

- 6. "\_\_\_\_, in this beautiful garden I dedicate myself to you. Although our lives may change like the seasons, I will love you. As our love grows like a seed to a beautiful flower, I will love you. When the winds of doubt blow through, I will love you. We will stand together, strong, nurtured by each other's love until the end."
- 7. "Registrar/celebrant:\_\_\_, today you have come to promise to share your life with\_\_\_. Do you promise to love and protect her, to be faithful to her and to be always supporting and understanding? Do you promise to share your life with each other, to trust and be honest and faithful to each other? Will you live in a spirit of tolerance, mutual support, and concern for each other's well being, sharing your responsibilities and joys? Groom: I do

Registrar/celebrant: We have come together today to witness the vows that \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ are about to make. \_\_\_\_, do you now agree to take \_\_\_\_ as your wife, understanding and expecting that she will be your partner for life? Will you love her, support her and help her to achieve her potential? Will you share your love through whatever is to come, until the end of your life?

Groom: I will."

8. "I do solemnly declare that I know not of any lawful impediment why I \_\_\_\_\_ may not be joined in matrimony to \_\_\_\_.[13]

I call upon these persons here present to witness that I \_\_\_\_\_ do take thee \_\_\_\_\_ to be my lawfully wedded wife/husband.[13]

The Marriage Ceremony (Prescribed Words) Act 1996 allowed an alternative declaration of either:

I declare that I know of no legal reason why I \_\_\_\_\_ may not be joined in marriage to

Registrar/Minister: Are you \_\_\_\_\_ free lawfully to marry \_\_\_\_\_ Man/Woman: I am.

I \_\_\_\_\_ take you/thee \_\_\_\_\_ to be my wedded wife/husband."

9. "I promise to love and care for you, and I will try in every way to be worthy of your love. I will always be honest with you, kind, patient and forgiving. I promise to try to be on time. But most of all, I promise to be a true and loyal friend to you. I love you."
10. "I promise to encourage your compassion, Because that is what makes you unique and wonderful. I promise to nurture your dreams, Because through them your soul shines. I promise to help shoulder our challenges, For there is nothing we cannot face if we stand together. I promise to be your partner in all things, Not possessing you, but working with you as a part of the whole. Lastly, I promise you perfect love and perfect trust, For one lifetime with you could never be enough.

This is my sacred vow to you, my equal in all things."