## GALIA NECHAMA LABOWITZ

Wave

Born in waves

Wave of God

These are the meanings

Of Galia's name

Definitely a wave

Born in waves

You are, Galia

Living as a wave of God

From your mother's womb

To this day

We, your TAO community

Your spiritual womb

Your inheritance

From Rabbi Shoni Labowitz

Our founder, your grandmother

Yes

We celebrate and thank you, Galia

Today and always

Galia, Wave of God

We watched you

From your mother's womb

As she plays the bass

To you birth in this world

To your growing up among us

From your parents' arms

Your grandparents' laps

To your infancy and childhood

This bubbly wave of a little girl
Weaving, crisscrossing your way
Through your davening
TAO Community
With ease, joy, confidence
Trust of belonging
With no qualms whatsoever
Welcoming, hugs, lifts, and kisses
And a few years later
Singing your lungs out
At TAO services
Right beside Rabbis Phil & Shoni
Your grandparents
And your parents
Rabbi Marc & Rebbetzin Paulina

Galia, Wave of God
You give us
The multi-talented gift of your Presence
All through your adolescent years
Singing in the TAO orchestra
At most of the services
Be it Shabbat, Meditation Services
And High Holiday services
And more...
Willfully, joyfully
As if you had nothing fun to do
As an adolescent
You even gifted us
Serving as a substitute Rabbi
More than once

And in the most aptly, magnificent
Seamless way
You took over the Yom Kippur
Neila service, last year's High Holidays
While Rabbi Phil, your grandfather
Experienced a medical crisis
And Rabbi Marc, your father
Had to take our Rebbe Reb
To the hospital

Galia, Wave of God You never cease to astound us With your gifts And now, more than ever While you are about to soar To new heights of learning And preparing To splash the world With new, nurturing blessings from Galia, Wave of God As cantor Neuroscientist, Rabbi With your beautiful soul Who knew? Who knows? What more?

Meanwhile...
Galia, Wave of God
We, at TAO, thank you
From the depths of our hearts

For being YOU

For your inexhaustible generosity
In service to TAO, social causes
And the world

Galia, Wave of God

We will keep our souls

Attuned to your journey

Supporting you the best we may

At every step

As you prepare to immerse the world

With your various blessings

In a more knowing way

For Tikkun Olam\*\*

Galia, Wave of God

We wish you all the blessings you require

Desire, and more...

To fulfill you purpose here on Earth

As the magnificent Wave of God's ocean

That you are!

We love you, Galia!!!!!

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\*Tikkun Olam: Repair of the world

\*\*Ziv Ha Olam: Radiance of the world