**Smoot Dedication** 

June 4, 2009

Almighty God, ground of our being, giver of life and humor,

Bless this gesture today and specifically this plaque.

It stands for the reality that the serious work done here at MIT is enlivened by humor and whimsy.

It reminds all that while victory may go to the strong, and the race may be won by the swift,

In this place, in this city, on this bridge over the Charles River, all is measured by the Smoot and so it shall be now and forever more.

Amen