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The sacred hymns on Sadguru Śrī Tyāgarāja and Lord Śrī Rāma, presented in this volume, are devotional outpourings from the innermost heart of Smt. Pushpa Srivatsan. Having dedicated her life to the *upāsanā* of Sadguru Śrī Tyāgarāja, Smt. Pushpa expresses her devotion by singing Śrī Tyāgarāja's compositions and by spontaneously composing *stotras*. While reading her chaste Sanskrit compositions, one can discern the fact that they are not mere human constructs. They are born of an intense devotional inspiration behind which there is a divine influence. While being expressions of deep devotion, these poetic compositions are literary marvels.

I am sure that devotees in general, as well as devotees of Sadguru Śrī Tyāgarāja and Lord Śrī Rāma in particular, will welcome this volume. I invoke the grace of Sadguru Śrī Tyāgarāja and Lord Śrī Rāma on Smt. Pushpa for her to continue her great service to her Guru and His devotees.

With Nārāyaṇasmṛtis,

**Swami Paramarthananda**