Avahanam Na Janami (closing prayer of puja)

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Transliteration	The Roman line is IAST transliteration derived from the Devanagari (ā = long a, ṃ = anusvara, ḥ = visarga, ś/ṣ = sh sounds, c = ch as in "church"). In Hindi, Awadhi and Braj texts the silent final "a" is dropped. Transliteration does not show Vedic accents.

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Type	Prayer
Version	Common version
Tradition	Common to many traditions
Source	Traditional devotional text (common printed and recited form) — Traditional verses printed at the close of many puja books
Credits	Traditional; public domain.

आवाहनं न जानामि न जानामि विसर्जनम् ।

āvāhanaṃ na jānāmi na jānāmi visarjanam |

पूजां चैव न जानामि क्षमस्व परमेश्वर ॥

pūjāṃ caiva na jānāmi kṣamasva parameśvara ||

मन्त्रहीनं क्रियाहीनं भक्तिहीनं सुरेश्वर ।

mantrahīnaṃ kriyāhīnaṃ bhaktihīnaṃ sureśvara |

यत्पूजितं मया देव परिपूर्णं तदस्तु मे ॥

yatpūjitaṃ mayā deva paripūrṇaṃ tadastu me ||

Meaning

I do not know how to invoke you, nor how to bid you farewell, nor how to worship — forgive me, Supreme Lord. Whatever worship I have offered, lacking in mantra, in rite or in devotion, O Lord of the gods, may it be made complete.

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