

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

“Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”  
~ Melody Beattie ~

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## DEDICATION

“Birth is not only about making babies. Birth is about making mothers... strong, competent, capable mothers who trust themselves and know their inner strength.”

~ Barbara Katz Rothman ~

To future generations of mothers.

May our work contribute to your ability  
to trust yourself and know your inner strength.

And may you freely choose where, how and with whom you birth.

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