For love of the Lord, O venerable Matrona, thou didst ignore thy desire for rest, illuminating thy spirit with fasting.

By thy supplications cast down the arrogance of the adversaries, for mightily didst thou vanquish the wild beasts.

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