

FULL MOON BODHISATTVA CEREMONY

*(Bow to each other – shashu
Bow to each other - gassho
Bow to front - gassho)*

REPENTENCE

(Kneel)

All my ancient twisted karma
From beginning less greed, hate and
delusion
Born through body, speech and mind
I now fully avow (3X)

(Stand)

HOMAGES

(Prostration after each line)
Homage to the Seven Buddhas before
Buddha
Homage to Shakyamuni Buddha
Homage to Maitreya Buddha
Homage to Manjushri Bodhisattva
Homage to Samantabhadra Bodhisattva
Homage to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva
Homage to the Succession of Ancestors
3X

FOUR BODHISATTVA VOWS

(Kneel)

Beings are numberless, I vow to free them
Delusions are inexhaustible, I vow to end
them
Dharma gates are boundless, I vow to enter
them
Buddha's Way is unsurpassable, I vow to
realize it
(prostration)
3X

REFUGES

*(Stand)
Prostration after each line*

Kokyo: I take refuge in Buddha.
Everyone: Before all being, immersing body
and mind deeply in the Way
awakening true mind.

Kokyo: I take refuge in Dharma
Everyone: Before all being, entering deeply
the merciful ocean of Buddha's
Way.

Kokyo: I take refuge in Sangha.
Everyone: Before all being, bringing harmony
to everyone free from hindrance.

PURE PRECEPTS

(Kneel)

Everyone: I vow to refrain from all evil.
*Doshi: it is the abode of the law of all
Buddhas: It is the source of the law of all
Buddhas.*

Everyone: I vow to make every effort to live
in enlightenment.
*Doshi: It is the teaching of anuttara
samyaksambodhi and the path of the one
who practices and that which is practiced.*

Everyone: I vow to live and be lived for the
benefit of all beings.
*Doshi: It is transcending profane and holy
and taking self and others across.*

Everyone: I vow not to kill.
*Doshi: By not killing life the Buddha tree seed
grows. Transmit the life of Buddha and do
not kill.*

Everyone: I vow not to take what is not given.
*Doshi: The self and objects are such as they
are, two yet one. The gate of liberation
stands open.*

Everyone: I vow not to misuse sexuality.
*Doshi: Let the three wheels of self, object
and action be pure.
With nothing to desire one goes along
together with the Buddha.*

Everyone: I vow to refrain from false speech.
*Doshi: The Dharma Wheel turns from the
beginning. There is neither surplus nor lack.
The sweet dew saturates all and harvests the
truth.*

Everyone: I vow to refrain from intoxicants.
*Doshi: Originally pure, don't defile. This is the
great awareness.*

(OVER)

Everyone: I vow not to slander.

Doshi: In the Buddhadharna, go together, appreciate together, realize together and actualize together. Don't permit faultfinding. Don't permit haphazard talk. Do not corrupt the Way.

Everyone: I vow not to praise self at the expense of others.

Doshi: Buddhas and Ancestors realize the vast sky and the great earth. When they manifest the noble body, there is neither inside nor outside in emptiness. When they manifest the Dharma body there is not even a bit of earth on the ground.

Everyone: I vow not to be greedy.

Doshi: One phrase, one verse - that is the ten thousand things and one hundred grasses; one Dharma, one realization - is all Buddhas and Ancestors. Therefore, from the beginning, there has been no stinginess at all.

Everyone: I vow not to harbor ill will.

Doshi: Not negative, not positive, neither real nor unreal, there is an ocean of illuminated clouds and an ocean of bright clouds.

Everyone: I vow not to disparage the Three Treasures.

Doshi: To expound the Dharma with this body is foremost. The virtue returns to the ocean of reality. It is unfathomable; we just accept it with respect and gratitude.

DEDICATION

Doshi: Thus on the Full Moon night (morning, afternoon) we offer the merit of the Bodhisattva Way, through all world systems, to the unborn nature of being.

All Buddhas, throughout space and time,
All Honored Ones, Bodhisattvas,
Mahasattvas

(Stand)

Wisdom beyond wisdom,
Mahaprajna Paramita
(three prostrations)

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