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### Vesak Goodwill Message – The 19<sup>th</sup> United Nations Day of Vesak Celebrations, 2024 (BE 2567)

It is my great pleasure to deliver a goodwill message on behalf of the All-Nepal Bhikkhu Association of Nepal and my own behalf on this very auspicious occasion of the 19<sup>th</sup> United Nations Day of Vesak Celebrations. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the United Nations for recognizing the thrice sacred days of Vesak celebrating the Birth, Enlightenment and Mahaparinibbana of Tathagata Gautama Buddha at its General Assembly in 1999. I would also like to cherish the memory of the first Event that was celebrated at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in 2001.

Today we are gathering here to continue the glorious tradition of celebrating the Buddha and his teachings. It gives me immense pleasure that with the blessing of the Supreme Sangha Council and the Royal Thai Government, the 19<sup>th</sup> United Nations Day of Vesak is held under the theme, “The Buddhist Way of Building Trust and Solidarity.

There would have been no other more relevant theme than the one that has been agreed upon for this year. In today’s world full of conflict, hatred, ongoing wars and situation of mistrust among various groups, societies, nations, Buddha’s teachings and the Buddhists around the world can certainly make huge impacts. I am sure that together we can contribute in creating societies and nations that are based on values of trust and solidarity.





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However, I would like to emphasize on one simple thing. It is not sufficient just to say we are Buddhists. We also must practice the Buddhist way of life well establishing ourselves in the precepts as taught by the Lord Buddha. We must by our thoughts, deeds and speech behave according to the teachings of the Lord Buddha, which is essentially the Dhamma, the Law of nature.

I am looking forward to insightful deliberations and discussions during the event. I would like to thank the organizers of this auspicious event for inviting me and the other delegates from Nepal and also giving me this opportunity of delivering this goodwill message. Last but not the least, I wish for the grand success of this celebration and that we may come up with effective and meaningful resolutions for building trust and solidarity in the world.

May All Beings Be Happy

May Peace Prevail on Earth

Bhavatu Sabba Managalam

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