BODHISATTVA CEREMONY

Homage to Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva 0
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Homage to the succession of Ancestors O
Homage to the succession of Ancestors (3 rd time only) Homage to the succession of Ancestors (no stop)
Doshi goes to altar, offers incense, steps back, bows ^ Bows at foot of mat ^ Kneels, places hands in gassho ^
BODHISATTVA VOWS (3 times, kneeling) (Kokyo in bold)
Beings are numberless; I vow to save them Beings are numberless; I vow to save them Delusions are inexhaustible; I vow to end them Delusions are inexhaustible; I vow to end them Dharma gates are boundless; I vow to enter them Dharma gates are boundless; I vow to enter them Buddha's Way is unsurpassable; I vow to become it Buddha's Way is unsurpassable; I vow to become it Doshi stands, steps back, bows Offers incense, steps back, bows O
Returns to foot of bowing mat, bows, hands in gassho
REFUGES (1 time standing/bowing) (Kokyo in bold)
(Kokyo) (Sangha) I take refuge in Buddha O Before all being . Immersing body and Mind deeply in the Way . Awakening true mind
(Kokyo) I take refuge in Dharma O (Sangha) Before all being . Entering deeply the merciful ocean . Of Buddhas's Way

(Kokyo) I take refuge in Sangha O

(Sangha)

Before all being.
Bringing harmony to everyone.
Free from hindrance (no stop)

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PURE PRECEPTS

Doshi/Sangha Repeats

I vow to refrain from all evil ^/R

(Doshi alone) It is the abode, the source and the law of all Buddhas.

I vow to make every effort to live in enlightenment ^/R

It is the teaching of annutara samyak sambodhi. It is the path and the practice.

I vow to live and be lived for the benefit of all beings ^/R

It is transcending profane and holy, taking self and others across.

CLEAR MIND PRECEPTS

(Doshi/Sangha Repeats)

I vow not to kill ^ /R

By not killing life the Buddha-tree seed grows. Transmit the life of Buddha and do not kill

I vow not to take what is not given ^/R

The self and objects are such as they are, two yet one. The gate
of liberation stands open.

I vow not to misuse sexuality ^/R

Let the three wheels of self, object and action be pure. With

nothing to desire one goes along together with the Buddhas.

I vow not to lie ^/R

The Dharma Wheel turns from the beginning. There is neither surplus nor lack. The sweet dew saturates all and harvests the truth.

I vow not to intoxicate self or others ^/R
Originally pure, don't defile. This is the great awareness.

I vow not to speak of others' faults ^/R
In the Buddhadharma, go along together, appreciate together,

realize together and actualize together. Don't permit faultfinding. Don't permit haphazard talk. Do not corrupt the Way.

I vow not to praise self at the expense of others ^/R

Buddhas and Ancestors realize the vast sky and the great earth.

When they manifest the noble body, there is no inside nor outside in emptiness. When they manifest the Dharma body there is not even a bit of earth on the ground.

I vow not to be possessive of anything ^/R
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.

I vow not to harbor ill will ^/R

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

I vow to respect the Buddha, unfold the Dharma and nourish the Sangha ^/R

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 this full moon night, we offer the merit of the bodhisattva's way through all world systems to the unborn nature of all being. ~ O

(All) All Buddhas ten directions, three times O
All beings bodhisattvas, mahasattvas O
Wisdom beyond wisdom, maha prajna paramita

3 bows: 1 . 2 . 3 . .

Bow to altar .
Bow with Sangha . .