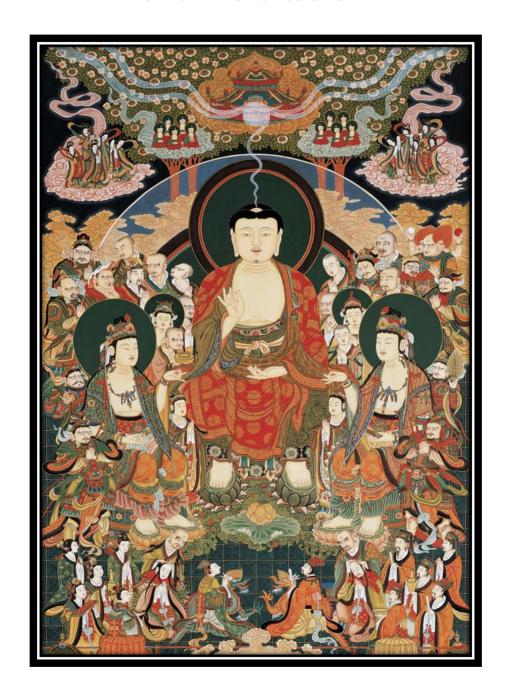
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Amitabha Buddha Dharma Service: Evening Session
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[Bow + Venerate the Buddha with Three Prostrations + Bow 問訊、禮佛三拜、問訊] [Incense in the Censer Praise 爐香讚] lú **xiāng zhà** fǎ jiè méng rè xūn 乍 蓺 蒙 爐 香 法 界 Incense in the censer just begins to burn, [instantly] permeating all Dharma Realms. zhū fó hǎi huì xī yáo wén 聞 諸佛海會 悉 滛 Oceanic assemblies of buddhas all perceive it from afar 0 | | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | suí chù jié xiáng yún 隨處結 祥 As auspicious clouds gather everywhere. chéng yì fāng zhū fó xiàn quán yīn shēn 方 殷 諸佛 現 誠 身 Through sincerity and respect, all buddhas manifest in their entirety. (3x)▲ ná mó xiāng yún gài рú sà mó hē sà 蓋 盚 南 香 薩 瘞 訶 薩

Homage to the Incense Cloud Canopy Bodhisattva-Mahāsattvas!



[Triple Invocation三稱]

▲ ná mó lián chí hǎi huì fó pú sà (3x) 南 無 蓮 池 海 會 佛 菩 薩 Homage to the Lotus Pool Oceanic Assembly of Buddhas and Bodhisattvas!

● fó shuō ō mí tuó jīng 佛 說 阿彌陀經 Amitābha Sūtra as Discoursed by the Buddha

rú shì wǒ wén yì shí fó zài shè wèi guó qí shù jǐ gū dú yuán 如 是 我 聞 • 一 時 佛 在 舍 衛 國 • 祇 樹 給 孤 獨 園 • Thus have I heard, once, the Buddha was residing in the capital city Śrāvastī, at Jeta's Grove-

yǔ dà bǐ qiū sēng qiān èr bǎi wǔ shí rén jù jiē shì dà ō luó hàn 與大比丘僧·千二百五十人俱·皆是大阿羅漢· Anāthapiṇḍada's Garden, with an assembly of great bhikṣus numbering 1,250 in all. They were

zhòng suǒ zhī shì zhǎng lǎo shè lì fó mó hé mù jiàn lián 眾 所 知 識。 長 老 舍 利 弗 、摩 訶 目 犍 連、all great arhats well known to the assembly, including Elder Śāriputra, Mahāmaudgalyāyana,

mó hé jiā shè mó hē jiā zhān yán mó hē jù xī luó lí pó duō 摩 訶 迦 葉、摩 訶 迦 旃 延、摩 訶 俱 絺 羅、離 婆 多、Mahākāsyapa, Mahākātyāyana, Mahākauṣṭhila, Revata,

zhōu lì pán tuó qié nán tuó ō nán tuó luó hóu luó jiāo fàn 周 利 槃 陀 伽、難 陀、阿 難 陀、羅 睺 羅、憍 梵 Śuddhipanthakena, Nanda, Ānanda, Rāhula, Gavāṃpati,

pō tí bīn tóu lú pō luó duò jiā liú tuó yí mó hē jié bīn nà 波提、賓頭盧頗羅墮、迦留陀夷、摩訶劫賓那、Piṇḍolabhāradvāja, Kālodayin, Mahākapphiṇa,

bó jū luó ō niǎo lóu tuó rú shì děng zhū dà dì zǐ bìng zhū 薄 拘 羅 、阿 瓮 樓 馱 • 如 是 等 諸 大 弟 子 。 並 諸 Vakkula, Aniruddha, and many other such great disciples.

pú sà mó hē sà wén shū shī lì fǎ wáng zǐ ō yì duō pú sà 菩 薩 摩 訶 薩 • 文 殊 師 利 法 王 子、阿 逸 多 菩 薩、There were also bodhisattva-mahāsattvas including Dharma Prince Mañjuśrī, Ajita Bodhisattva,

qián tuó hé tí pú sà cháng jīng jìn pú sà yǔ rú shì děng zhū dà 乾 陀 訶 提 菩 薩、 常 精 進 菩 薩・與 如 是 等 諸 大 Gandhahastin Bodhisattva, Nityodyukta Bodhisattva, among other great bodhisattvas as well.

pú sà jí shì tí huán yīn děng wú liàng zhū tiān dà zhòng jù 菩薩·及釋提桓因等無量諸天大眾俱。
There was also Śakra, Lord of the Devas, along with innumerable other devas, together with the

ěr shí fó gào zháng lǎo shè lì fó cóng shì xī fāng guò shí wàn 爾時佛告長老舍利弗•從是西方•過十萬 great assembly. At that time, the Buddha addressed Elder Śāriputra, saying, "Over ten trillion

yì fó tú yǒu shì jiè míng yuē jí lè qí tǔ yǒu fó hào 億 佛 土 • 有 世 界 名 日 極 樂。其 土 有 佛 • 號 buddha-lands to the west from here, there is a realm called Ultimate Bliss. In that land, there is a

ō mí tuó jīn xiàn zài shuō fǎ shè lì fó bí tǔ hé gù míng wéi 阿爾陀·今現在說法。舍利弗!彼土何故名為buddha called Amitābha who currently manifests and expounds the Dharma. Śāriputra, why is

jí lè qí guó zhòng shēng wú yǒu zhòng kǔ dàn shòu zhū lè 極樂?其 國 眾 生 • 無 有 眾 苦 • 但 受 諸 樂 • that land called Ultimate Bliss? Sentient beings in that land do not have any sufferings, but

gù míng jí lè yòu shè lì fó jí lè guó tǔ qī chóng lán xún 故 名 極樂。又舍利弗!極樂國土•七 重 欄 楯、rather experience every type of bliss. Thus, it is called Ultimate Bliss. Furthermore, Śāriputra, the Land of Ultimate Bliss has seven tiers of railing,

qī chóng luó wǎng qī chóng háng shù jiē shì sì bǎo zhōu zā wéi 七 重 羅 網、七 重 行 樹 · 皆 是 四 寶 周 匝 圍 seven layers of netting, and seven rows of trees. These are all made of four kinds of precious



rào shì gù bǐ guó míng wéi jí lè yòu shè lì fó jí lè guó 繞。是故彼國·名為極樂。又舍利弗!極樂國 jewels and encircle the entire land. This is why that land is called Ultimate Bliss. Furthermore, Śāriputra,

tǔ yǒu qī bǎo chí bā gōng dé shuǐ chōng mǎn qí zhōng 土•有七寶池•八功德水•充滿其中• the Land of Ultimate Bliss has pools made of the Seven Treasures, which are filled with the

chí dǐ chún yǐ jīn shā bù dì sì biān jiē dào jīn yín líu lí 池底純以金沙布地。四邊階道・金、銀、瑠璃、 Water of Eight Merits and Virtues. The bottoms of the ponds are covered solely in gold sand, and the steps on all four sides are made of gold, silver, beryl,

bō lí hé chéng shàng yǒu lóu gé yì yǐ jīn yín líu lí 玻 豫 合 成 。 上 有 樓 閣 · 亦 以 金、銀、瑠 璃、and crystal. Above, there are pavilions which are adorned and decorated with gold, silver, beryl,

bō lí chē qú chì zhū má nǎo ér yán shì zhī chí zhōng lián 玻 瓈、硨 磲、赤 珠、瑪 瑙 • 而 嚴 飾 之。池 中 蓮 crystal, agate, red pearl, and carnelian. Within the ponds, there are lotus flowers as large as

huá dà rú chē lún qīng sè qīng guāng huáng sè huáng guāng 華 · 大如車輪 · 青色青光 · 黄色黄光 · chariot wheels: these are blue in color with a blue radiance, yellow in color with a yellow radiance,

chì sè chì guāng bái sè bái guāng wēi miào xiāng jié shè lì fó 赤色赤光 · 白色白光 · 微妙 香 潔。舍利弗! red in color with a red radiance, and white in color with a white radiance. They are subtle and wondrous, fragrant and pure. Śāriputra,

jí lè guó tǔ chéng jiù rú shì gōng dé zhuāng yán yòu shè lì 極樂國土。成就如是功德莊嚴。又舍利the Land of Ultimate Bliss is adorned through the accomplishment of such merits and virtues.

fó bǐ fó guó tǔ cháng zuò tiān yuè huáng jīn wéi dì zhòu yè 弗!彼佛國土•常作天樂•黃金為地•晝夜 Furthermore, Śāriputra, in that buddha's land, heavenly music plays continually, and the ground is made of gold. In the six periods of the day and night,

liù shí yǔ tiān màn tuó luó huá qí tǔ zhòng shēng cháng yǐ 六 時 • 雨 天 曼 陀 羅 華 。 其 土 眾 生 • 常 以 the māndārava flowers rain down from the sky. Often, early in the morning, beings in that land

qīng dàn gè yǐ yī gé chéng zhòng miào huá gòng yǎng tā fāng 清 旦·各以衣裓·盛 眾 妙 華·供 養 他 方 hold the hems of their robes, filling them with all kinds of wondrous flowers and offer them to

shí wàn yì fó jí yǐ shí shí huán dào běn guó fàn shí jīng xíng 十萬億佛•即以食時•還到本國•飯食經行。 trillions of buddhas in other places. At mealtime, they return to their original land to eat and

shè lì fó jí lè guó tǔ chéng jiù rú shì gōng dé zhuāng yán 舍利弗!極樂國土•成就如是功德莊嚴。 walk in meditation. Śāriputra, the Land of Ultimate Bliss is adorned through the accomplishment

fù cì shè lì fó bǐ guó cháng yǒu zhǒng zhǒng qí miào zá sè zhī 復次舍利弗!彼國常有種種奇妙雜色之 of such merits and virtues. Furthermore, Śāriputra, in that land, there are always various kinds

niǎo bái hè kǒng què yīng wǔ shè lì jiā líng pín qié gòng 鳥。白鶴、孔雀、鸚鵡、舍利、迦陵頻伽、共 of rare and marvelous multi-colored birds such as snow cranes, peacocks, parrots, egrets, kalaviṅkas, and conjoined birds.

mìng zhī niǎo shì zhū zhòng niǎo zhòu yè liù shí chū hé yǎ yīn 命 之 鳥 。是 諸 眾 鳥 • 晝 夜 六 時 • 出 和 雅 音。
These various birds sing harmonious and elegant sounds during the six periods of the day and night.

qí yīn yǎn chàng wǔ gēn wǔ lì qī pú tí fēn bā shèng dào 其音演 暢·五根、五力、七菩提分、八聖道 Their voices expound teachings such as the Five Roots, Five Powers, Seven Factors of Awakening, and Noble Eightfold Path.

fēn rú shì děng fǎ qí tǔ zhòng shēng wén shì yīn yǐ jiē xī 分·如是等法。其土 眾 生 · 聞 是音已·皆悉 Having heard these sounds, beings in that land are all fully mindful of the Buddha, mindful of



niàn fó niàn fǎ niàn sēng shè lì fó rǔ wù wèi cí niǎo 念 佛、念 法、念 僧。舍 利 弗!汝 勿 謂 此 鳥 • the Dharma, and mindful of the Sangha. Śāriputra, you should not say that these birds are born

shí shì zuì bào suǒ shēng suó yí zhě hé bǐ fó guó tǔ wú sān 實是罪報所生。所以者何?彼佛國土・無三 due to their karmic transgressions. Why is that? In that buddha's land, the three lower realms

è dào shè lì fó qí fó guó tǔ shàng wú è dào zhī míng 惡 道 。舍 利 弗!其 佛 國 土 · 尚 無 惡 道 之 名 · do not exist. Śāriputra, that buddha's land does not even have a name for the lower realms,

hé kuàng yǒu shí shì zhū zhòng niǎo jiē shì ō mí tuó fó yù lìng 何 况 有實?是 諸 眾 鳥 • 皆是阿彌陀佛•欲令 so how could they exist? These various birds are all born through transformation from

fǎ yīn xuān liú biàn huà suǒ zuò shè lì fó bǐ fó guó tǔ 法 音 宣 流•變 化 所 作。舍 利 弗!彼 佛 國 土•
Amitābha Buddha's desire to proclaim the sounds of the Dharma everywhere. Śāriputra, in that

wēi fēng chuī dòng zhū bǎo háng shù jí bǎo luó wǎng chū wēi 微 風 吹 動 · 諸 寶 行 樹 · 及 寶 羅 網 · 出 微 buddha's land, the gentle wind blows through the rows of jeweled trees and jeweled nets, producing a

miào yīn pì rú bǎi qiān zhǒng yuè tóng shí jù zuò wén shì yīn 妙 音·譬如百千種樂·同時俱作。聞是音 subtle and wondrous sound, as if a hundred thousand instruments were playing simultaneously.

zhě zì rán jiē shēng niàn fó niàn fǎ niàn sēng zhī xīn shè lì 者 · 自然皆 生 念佛、念法、念僧 之心。舍利 Those who hear this sound all naturally give rise to the mind of being mindful of the Buddha, mindful of the Dharma, and mindful of the Sangha.

fó qí fó guó tǔ chéng jiù rú shì gōng dé zhuāng yán shè lì 弗!其 佛 國 土 • 成 就 如 是 功 德 莊 嚴。舍 利 Śāriputra, that buddha's land is adorned through the accomplishment of such merits and virtues.

fó yú rǔ yì yún hé bǐ fó hé gù hào ō mí tuó shè lì fó 弗!於 汝 意 云 何·彼 佛 何 故 號 阿 彌 陀? 舍 利 弗! Śāriputra, what do you think? For what reason is that buddha called Amitābha? Śāriputra,

bǐ fó guāng míng wú liàng zhào shí fāng guó wú suǒ zhàng ài 彼佛光明無量・照十方國・無所障礙・the radiance of that buddha is immeasurable, illuminating the lands of the ten directions without

shì gù hào wéi ō mí tuó yòu shè lì fó bǐ fó shòu mìng jí qí 是故號為阿爾陀。又舍利弗!彼佛壽命·及其 any obstruction. For this reason, he is called Amitābha. Furthermore, Śāriputra, the lifespan of that

rén mín wú liàng wú biān ō sēng qí jié gù míng ō mí tuó 人 民 • 無 量 無 邊 阿 僧 祇 劫 • 故 名 阿 彌 陀 。 buddha and his people extend to immeasurable, limitless kalpas. For this reason, he is also called

shè lì fó ō mí tuó fó chéng fó yǐ lái yú jīn shí jié yòu shè 舍 利 弗!阿 彌 陀 佛 • 成 佛 以 來 • 於 今 十 劫 。 又 舍 Amitāyus. Śāriputra, ten kalpas have passed since Amitābha Buddha became a buddha.

lì fó bǐ fó yǒu wú liàng wú biān shēng wén dì zǐ jiē ō luó 利弗!彼佛有無量無邊聲聞弟子•皆阿羅 Furthermore, Śāriputra, that buddha has immeasurable, limitless śrāvaka disciples— all arhats

hàn fēi shì suàn shù zhī suǒ néng zhī zhū pú sà zhòng yì fù rú 漢·非是 算 數之所 能 知。諸菩薩 眾 ·亦復如 —beyond the knowledge of any numerical calculations. The assembly of bodhisattvas is also

shì shè lì fó bǐ fó guó tǔ chéng jiù rú shì gōng dé zhuāng 是。舍利弗!彼佛國土•成 就如是 功 德 莊 equally vast. Śāriputra, that buddha's land is adorned through the accomplishment of such merits

yán yòu shè lì fó jí lè guó tǔ zhòng shēng shēng zhě jiē 嚴。又舍利弗!極樂國土•眾生生者•皆 and virtues. Furthermore, Śāriputra, when sentient beings are reborn in the Land of Ultimate Bliss,

shì ō pí bá zhì qí zhōng duō yǒu yì shēng bǔ chù qí shù 是阿鞞跋致。其中多有一生補處其數 they are all avaivartikas. Among them, those who only have one more birth—those who will fill



shèn duō fēi shì suàn shù suǒ néng zhī zhī dàn kě yǐ wú liàng wú 甚多•非是算數所能知之•但可以無量無the [buddha's] seat—are incredibly numerous, beyond the knowledge of any numerical calculations. Only after speaking for immeasurable,

biān ō sēng qí shuō shè lì fó zhòng shēng wén zhě yīng dāng 邊 阿 僧 祇 說 。舍 利 弗! 眾 生 聞 者 • 應 當 limitless asamkhyeya kalpas can this number be conveyed. Śāriputra, sentient beings who hear of

fā yuàn yuàn shēng bǐ guó suó yǐ zhě hé dé yǔ rú shì zhū 發 願 • 願 生 彼 國 。 所 以 者 何?得 與 如 是 諸 this should vow to be reborn in that land. Why is this? Because they will be able to assemble

shàng shàn rén jù huì yí chù shè lì fó bù kě yí shǎo shàn gēn 上 善人俱會一處。舍利弗!不可以少善根 together in one place with such people of superior virtue. Śāriputra, those with few virtuous roots

fú dé yīn yuán dé shēng bǐ guó shè lì fó ruò yǒu shàn nán 福 徳 因 緣 • 得 生 彼 國 。 舍 利 弗!若 有 善 男 and few causes and conditions of blessings and virtues cannot be reborn in that land. Śāriputra, if

zǐ shàn nǚ rén wén shuō ō mí tuó fó zhí chí míng hào ruò yí 子、善女人•聞 說 阿彌陀佛•執持名 號•若一 there are virtuous men or virtuous women who hear others speak of Amitābha Buddha and hold

rì ruò èr rì ruò sān rì ruò sì rì ruò wǔ rì ruò lìu rì 日、若 二 日、若 三 日、若 四 日、若 五 日、若 六 日、fast to his name for one day, two days, three days, four days, five days, six days,

ruò qī rì yì xīn bú luàn qí rén lín mìng zhōng shí ō mí tuó 若 七 日•一 心 不 亂 •其 人 臨 命 終 時•阿 彌 陀 or seven days single-mindedly without distraction, then at the end of their lives, Amitābha Buddha

fó yǔ zhū shèng zhòng xiàn zài qí qián shì rén zhōng shí xīn 佛·與 諸 聖 眾 · 現 在 其 前 。是 人 終 時 · 心 and his sacred assembly will appear before them, and so, at the end of their lives, their minds

bù diān dǎo jí dé wǎng shēng ō mí tuó fó jí lè guó tǔ shè 不 與 倒 • 即 得 往 生 阿彌陀佛•極樂國土。舍will not have inverted views, and they will swiftly attain rebirth in Amitābha Buddha's Land of

lì fó wǒ jiàn shì lì gù shuō cǐ yán ruò yǒu zhòng shēng wén 利 弗!我 見 是 利•故 說 此 言•若 有 眾 生 • 聞 Ultimate Bliss. Śāriputra, because I see these benefits, I proclaim these words: 'If there are sentient

shì shuō zhě yīng dāng fā yuàn shēng bǐ guó tǔ shè lì fó rú 是 說 者·應 當 發 願 · 生 彼 國 土。舍 利 弗!如 beings who hear this teaching, they should vow to be reborn in that land.' Śāriputra, just as I now

wǒ jīn zhě zàn tàn ō mí tuó fó bù kě sī yì gōng dé zhī lì 我 今 者 · 讚 歎 阿 彌 陀 佛 · 不 可 思 議 功 德 之 利 · praise the benefits of Amitābha Buddha's inconceivable and inexpressible merits and virtues,

dōng fāng yì yǒu ō chù pí fó xū mí xiàng fó dà xū mí fó 東 方 亦 有 · 阿 閦 鞞 佛、須 彌 相 佛、大 須 彌 佛、so do the buddhas in the realms of the eastern direction as numerous as the sands of the

xū mí guāng fó miào yīn fó rú shì děng héng hé shā shù zhū fó 須彌 光 佛、妙 音 佛、如 是 等 恒 河 沙 數 諸 佛。Ganges River, including Akṣobhya Buddha, Merudhvaja Buddha, Mahāmeru Buddha, Meruprabhāsa Buddha, and Mañjusvara Buddha. While dwelling in their own lands,

gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé xiàng piàn fù sān qiān dà qiān 各於其國·出廣長舌相·循覆三千大千 they extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which encompass the trichiliocosm to proclaim

shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng zhòng shēng dāng xìn shì chēng 世界•說 誠實言•汝等 眾 生 • 當信是稱 these true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should have faith in this, the Invoking and Praising

zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè zhū fó suǒ hù niàn jīng shè lì 讚 不可思議 功 德·一切 諸 佛 所 護 念 經。舍 利 the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues, Mindful Protection by All Buddhas Sūtra.'



fó nán fāng shì jiè yǒu rì yuè dēng fó míng wén guāng fó 弗!南 方 世界•有日月 燈 佛、名 聞 光 佛、Śāriputra, there are also the buddhas in the realms of the southern direction as numerous as the sands of the Ganges River, including Candrasūryapradīpa Buddha, Yaśasprabha Buddha,

dà yàn jiān fó xū mí dēng fó wú liàng jīng jìn fó rú shì děng 大 燄 肩 佛、須 彌 燈 佛、無 量 精 進 佛・如 是 等 Mahārciskandha Buddha, Merupradīpa Buddha, and Anantavīrya Buddha. While dwelling in

héng hé shā shù zhū fó gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé xiàng 恒 河 沙 數 諸 佛。各 於 其 國 • 出 廣 長 舌 相 • their own lands, they extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which encompass the

piàn fù sān qiān dà qiān shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng zhòng 徧 覆 三 千 大 千 世 界 • 說 誠 實 言 • 汝 等 眾 trichiliocosm to proclaim these true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should have faith in

shēng dāng xìn shì chēng zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè zhū fó 生 · 當 信 是 稱 讚 不 可 思 議 功 德 · 一 切 諸 佛 this, the Invoking and Praising the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues, Mindful

suǒ hù niàn jīng shè lì fó xī fāng shì jiè yǒu wú liàng shòu fó 所 護 念 經。舍利弗!西方世界·有無量壽佛、Protection by All Buddhas Sūtra.' Śāriputra, there are also the buddhas in the realms of the western direction as numerous as the sands of the Ganges River, including Amitāyus Buddha,

wú liàng xiàng fó wú liàng chuáng fó dà guāng fó dà míng fó 無量相佛、無量幢佛、大光佛、大明佛、 Amitaketu Buddha, Amitadhvaja Buddha, Mahāprabha Buddha, Mahāprabhāsa Buddha,

bǎo xiàng fó jìng guāng fó rú shì děng héng hé shā shù zhū fó 寶 相 佛、淨 光 佛·如 是 等 恒 河 沙 數 諸 佛。 Ratnaketu Buddha, and Śuddharaśmiprabha Buddha. While dwelling in their own lands, they

gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé xiàng piàn fù sān qiān dà 各於其國・出廣長舌相・循覆三千大 extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which encompass the trichiliocosm to proclaim these qiān shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng zhòng shēng dāng xìn shì 千世界•說 誠實言•汝等 眾 生 ·當信是 true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should have faith in this, the Invoking and Praising

chēng zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè zhū fó suǒ hù niàn jīng 稱 讚 不可思議 功 德·一切 諸 佛 所 護 念 經。 the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues, Mindful Protection by All Buddhas Sūtra.

shè lì fó běi fāng shì jiè yǒu yàn jiān fó zuì shèng yīn fó 舍利弗!北方世界•有燄屑佛、最勝音佛、 Śāriputra, there are also the buddhas in the realms of the northern direction as numerous as the sands of the Ganges River, including Arciskandha Buddha, Vaiśvānaranirghoṣa Buddha,

nán jǔ fó rì shēng fó wǎng míng fó rú shì děng héng hé shā 難 沮 佛、日 生 佛、網 明 佛・如 是 等 恒 河 沙 Duṣpradharṣa Buddha, Ādityasaṃbhava Buddha, and Jālinīprabha Buddha. While dwelling in their

shù zhū fó gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé xiàng piàn fù sān 數 諸 佛。各 於 其 國 • 出 廣 長 舌 相 • 徧 覆 三 own lands, they extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which encompass the trichiliocosm

qiān dà qiān shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng zhòng shēng 千 大 千 世 界 · 說 誠 實 言 · 汝 等 眾 生 · to proclaim these true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should have faith in this, the Invoking

dāng xìn shì chēng zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè zhū fó suǒ hù 當 信 是 稱 讚 不可思議 功 德·一切 諸 佛 所 護 and Praising the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues, Mindful Protection by All

niàn jīng shè lì fó xià fāng shì jiè yǒu shī zǐ fó míng wén 念 經。舍利弗!下 方 世界•有 師子佛、名 聞 Buddhas Sūtra.' Śāriputra, there are also the buddhas in the realms of the nadir as numerous as the sands of the Ganges River, including Siṃha Buddha, Yaśas Buddha,

fó míng guāng fó dá mó fó fǎ chuáng fó chí fǎ fó rú shì 佛、名 光 佛、達 摩 佛、法 幢 佛、持 法 佛・如 是 Yaśasprabhāsa Buddha, Dharma Buddha, Dharmadhvaja Buddha, and Dharmadhara Buddha.



děng héng hé shā shù zhū fó gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé 等 恒 河沙 數 諸 佛。各於其 國 • 出 廣 長 舌 While dwelling in their own lands, they extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which

xiàng piàn fù sān qiān dà qiān shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng 相 · 徧 覆 三 千 大 千 世 界 · 說 誠 實 言 · 汝 等 encompass the trichiliocosm to proclaim these true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should

zhòng shēng dāng xìn shì chēng zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè 眾 生 · 當 信 是 稱 讚 不 可 思 議 功 德 · 一 切 have faith in this, the Invoking and Praising the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues,

zhū fó suǒ hù niàn jīng shè lì fó shàng fāng shì jiè yǒu fàn yīn 諸 佛 所 護 念 經。舍利弗! 上 方 世界•有 梵 音 Mindful Protection by All Buddhas Sūtra.' Śāriputra, there are also the buddhas in the realms of the zenith as numerous as the sands of the Ganges River, including Brahmaghoṣa Buddha,

fó sù wáng fó xiāng shàng fó xiāng guāng fó dà yàn jiān fó 佛、宿 王 佛、香 上 佛、香 光 佛、大 燄 肩 佛、Nakṣatrarāja Buddha, Gandhottama Buddha, Gandhaprabhāsa Buddha, Mahārciskandha Buddha,

zá sè bǎo huá yán shēn fó suō luó shù wáng fó bǎo huá dé fó 雜色寶華嚴身佛、娑羅樹王佛、寶華德佛、 Ratnakusumasaṃpuṣpitagātra Buddha, Śālendrarāja Buddha, Ratnotpalaśrī Buddha,

jiàn yí qiè yì fó rú xū mí shān fó rú shì děng héng hé shā shù 見 一 切 義 佛、如 須 彌 山 佛・如 是 等 恒 河 沙 數
Sarvārthadarśa Buddha, and Sumerukalpa Buddha. While dwelling in their own lands, they

zhū fó gè yú qí guó chū guǎng cháng shé xiàng piàn fù sān 諸 佛。各於其國・出廣長舌相・循覆三 extend their characteristic long, broad tongues which encompass the trichiliocosm to proclaim

qiān dà qiān shì jiè shuō chéng shí yán rú děng zhòng shēng 千 大 千 世 界 • 說 誠 實 言 • 汝 等 眾 生 • these true and honest words: 'You sentient beings should have faith in this, the Invoking and dāng xìn shì chēng zàn bù kě sī yì gōng dé yí qiè zhū fó suǒ hù 當 信 是 稱 讚 不可思議 功 德·一切 諸 佛 所 護 Praising the Inconceivable and Inexpressible Merits and Virtues, Mindful Protection by All Buddhas

niàn jīng shè lì fó yú rǔ yì yún hé hé gù míng wéi yí qiè zhū 念 經。舍利弗!於汝意云何•何故名為一切諸 Sūtra.' Śāriputra, what do you think? Why is this teaching named the Mindful Protection by All

fó suǒ hù niàn jīng shè lì fó ruò yǒu shàn nán zǐ shàn nǚ rén 佛 所 護 念 經 ? 舍 利 弗 ! 若 有 善 男 子、善 女 人 • Buddhas Sūtra? Śāriputra, if there are virtuous men and virtuous women who hear this Sūtra,

wén shì jīng shòu chí zhě jí wén zhū fó míng zhě shì zhū shàn 聞 是 經 受 持 者 • 及 聞 諸 佛 名 者 • 是 諸 善 accept and uphold it, as well those who hear the names of the various buddhas, these virtuous

nán zǐ shàn nǚ rén jiē wéi yí qiè zhū fó zhī suǒ hù niàn jiē 男子、善女人・皆為一切諸佛之所護念・皆men and virtuous women will receive the protection and mindful thoughts of all buddhas and

dé bú tuì zhuǎn yú ō niǎo duō luó sān miǎo sān pú tí shì gù shè 得不退轉於阿耨多羅三藐三菩提。是故舍 they will never retrogress from anuttarāsamyaksaṃbodhi. Therefore, Śāriputra, you should all

lì fó rú děng jiē dāng xìn shòu wó yǔ jí zhū fó suǒ shuō shè 利 弗!汝 等 皆 當 信 受 我 語•及 諸 佛 所 說 。舍 have faith in and accept my words and the words of all buddhas.

lì fó ruò yǒu rén yǐ fā yuàn jīn fā yuàn dāng fā yuàn yù 利 弗!若 有 人 • 已 發 願 、今 發 願 、當 發 願 • 欲 Śāriputra, if there are people who have already vowed, are currently vowing, or will vow to be

shēng ō mí tuó fó guó zhě shì zhū rén děng jiē dé bú tuì zhuǎn 生 阿爾陀佛國者•是諸人等•皆得不退轉 reborn in Amitābha Buddha's land, then these people will never retrogress from

yú ō niǎo duō luó sān miǎo sān pú tí yú bǐ guó tǔ ruò yǐ 於 阿 耨 多 羅 三 藐 三 菩 提。於 彼 國 土•若 已 anuttarāsamyaksaṃbodhi. They will either have already been reborn,



shēng ruò jīn shēng ruò dāng shēng shì gù shè lì fó zhū shàn 生、若今生、若當生。是故舍利弗!諸善 are currently being reborn, or will be reborn in that land. Therefore, Śāriputra,

nán zǐ shàn nǚ rén ruò yǒu xìn zhě yìng dāng fā yuàn shēng 男子、善女人・若有信者・應當發願・生if virtuous men and virtuous women have faith, they should vow to be reborn in that land.

bǐ guó tǔ shè lì fó rú wǒ jīn zhě chēng zàn zhū fó bù kě sī 彼 國 土。舍 利 弗!如 我 今 者 · 稱 讚 諸 佛 不 可 思 Śāriputra, just as I now praise the inconceivable and inexpressible merits and virtues of other

yì gōng dé bǐ zhū fó děng yì chēng zàn wǒ bù kě sī yì gōng 議 功 德·彼 諸 佛 等 · 亦 稱 讚 我 不 可 思 議 功 buddhas, the other buddhas also praise my inconceivable and inexpressible merits and virtues,

dé ér zuò shì yán shì jiā móu ní fó néng wèi shèn nán xī yǒu 德·而作是言·釋迦牟尼佛能為甚難希有 saying: 'Śākyamuni Buddha has accomplished an extremely rare task.

zhī shì néng yú suō pó guó tǔ wǔ zhuó è shì jié zhuó jiàn 之事•能於娑婆國土•五濁恶世•劫濁、見 In the Sahā Realm, during the evil period of Five Degenerations—the degenerations of kalpa,

zhuó fán nǎo zhuó zhòng shēng zhuó mìng zhuó zhōng dé ō 濁、煩惱濁、眾生濁、命濁中・得阿views, afflictions, sentient beings, and lifespan—

niǎo duō luó sān miǎo sān pú tí wèi zhū zhòng shēng shuō shì yí 耨多羅三藐三菩提。為諸 眾 生 · 說是一 he has attained anuttarāsamyaksaṃbodhi and, for the sake of all sentient beings, has proclaimed

qiè shì jiān nán xìn zhī fǎ shè lì fó dāng zhī wǒ yú wǔ zhuó è 切 世 間 難 信 之 法。舍 利 弗! 當 知 我 於 五 濁 惡 this teaching which is difficult to believe in all the realms.' Śāriputra, you should know that in the

shì xíng cǐ nán shì dé ō niǎo duō luó sān miǎo sān pú tí wèi 世·行此難事·得阿耨多羅三藐三菩提·為evil period of the Five Degenerations, I have accomplished this difficult task. I have attained

yí qiè shì jiān shuō cǐ nán xìn zhī fǎ shì wéi shèn nán fó shuō 一切世間 說此難信之法•是為甚難。佛說 anuttarāsamyaksaṃbodhi, and, for the sake of all realms, proclaimed this teaching which is difficult for beings to believe. This is indeed extremely difficult."

cǐ jīng yǐ shè lì fó jí zhū bǐ qiū yí qiè shì jiān tiān rén 此 經 已·舍利弗及諸比丘·一切世間天、人、 After the Buddha delivered this sūtra, Śāriputra and all the bhikṣus, together with beings of all

ō xiū luó děng wén fó suǒ shuō huān xǐ xìn shòu zuò lǐ ér qù 阿修羅等•聞佛所說•歡喜信受•作禮而去。 realms, including devas, humans, and asūras, upon hearing what the Buddha discoursed, rejoiced and reverently accepted the teaching, then prostrated and departed.

fó shuō ō mí tuó jīng 佛 說 阿爾陀經 Amitābha Sūtra as Discoursed by the Buddha *(end)*

- bá yí qiè yè zhàng gēn běn dé shēng jìng tǔ tuó luó ní 拔一切業障根本・得生淨土陀羅尼 Uprooting the Source of All Karmic Obstacles and Attaining Rebirth in the Pure Land Dhāraṇī
- ▲ na mo o mi duo po ye duo ta qie duo ye duo di ye ta 南無阿彌多婆夜・哆他伽多夜・哆地夜他・Namoʻmitābhāya tathāgatāya tadyathā
 - o mi li dou po pi o mi li duo xi dan po pi 阿爾利都婆毗。阿爾利哆。悉耽婆毗。 [om] amṛtod bhave amṛta-siddham bhave
 - o mi li duo pi jia lan di o mi li duo pi jia lan duo 阿爾唎哆·毗迦蘭帝·阿爾唎哆·毗迦蘭多·
 amṛta-vikrānte amṛta-vikrānta
 - qie mi ni qie qie na zhi duo jia li suo po he (3x) 伽 彌 膩 伽 伽 那 枳 多 迦 利 娑 婆 訶。 gāmini gagana kīrta kāre svāhā!



Praise of Buddha Verse **讚佛偈**

● Ō mí tuó fó shēn jīn sè xiàng hǎo guāng míng wú děng lún 阿爾陀佛身金色•相好光明無等倫•Amitābha Buddha's body is the color of gold;
His hallmarks, characteristics, and radiance are without compare.

bái háo wán zhuǎn wǔ xū mí gān mù chéng qīng sì dà hǎi 白毫宛轉五須彌•紺目澄清四大海• His white urna encircles five Meru [Mountains]; His cobalt eyes are as clear as the four great seas.

guāng zhōng huà fó wú shù yì huà pú sà zhòng yì wú biān 光 中 化佛無數億・化菩薩 眾 亦無邊・ Numberless billions of manifested buddhas appear in his light, And the assembly of manifested bodhisattvas is also boundless.

sì shí bā yuàn dù zhòng shēng jiú pǐn xián lìng dēng bǐ àn 四十八願度眾生·九品咸令登彼岸·
His forty-eight vows liberate sentient beings;
The Nine Grades of Lotuses lead all beings to the Other Shore.

● ná mó xī fāng jí lè shì jiè dà cí dà bēi ō mí tuó fó 南無西方極樂世界•大慈大悲•阿彌陀佛。
Homage to the Western Land of Ultimate Bliss, Great Kindness and Great Compassion,
Amitābha Buddha!

[Mindful Invocation of Sacred Title 稱念聖號]

- ▲ ná mó ō mí tuó fó repeat 南無阿彌陀佛 Homage to Amitābha Buddha!
- ▲ ō mí tuó fó repeat
 阿爾陀佛
 Amitābha Buddha!

[Silent Meditation 止静]

| Mindful Invocation of Sacred Title | 稱念聖號 |

- ná mó xī fāng jí lè shì jiè dà cí dà bēi ō mí tuó fó 南無西方極樂世界・大慈大悲・阿彌陀佛。
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 阿爾陀佛
 Amitābha Buddha!

[Three Refuges 三皈依文]

● zì guī yī fó dāng yuàn zhòng shēng 自皈依佛・當願眾生・ I seek refuge in the Buddha, wishing that all sentient beings

tǐ jiě dà dào fā wú shàng xīn 體解大道・發無上心。 understand the great Path and make the greatest vow!

● zì guī yī fǎ dāng yuàn zhòng shēng 自皈依法・當願眾生・ I seek refuge in the Dharma, wishing that all sentient beings

shēn rù jīng zàng zhì huì rú hǎi 深入經藏•智慧如海。 deeply study the sūtra treasury and acquire an ocean of wisdom!



● zì guī yī sēng dāng yuàn zhòng shēng 自皈依僧・當願眾生・ I seek refuge in the Sangha, wishing that all sentient beings

tóng lǐ dà zhòng yí qiè wú ài 統理大眾・一切無礙。 lead the congregation without any obstruction!

xiàng ổ mí tuổ fố qí yuàn wén
[A Prayer to Amitābha Buddha **向阿彌陀佛祈願文**]—Venerable Master Hsing Yun 星雲大師 著

● cí bēi wěi dà de ō mí tuó fó 慈悲偉大的阿彌陀佛! Oh great, compassionate Amitābha Buddha!

wǒ měi tiān lái dào nín de zuò qián 我每天來到您的座前• Each day, I come before your seat,

yǐ jí wéi gōng jìng qián chéng de xīn qíng 以極為恭敬虔誠的心情• and with a mind of utmost reverence and sincerity,

chēng niàn nín de shèng hào lǐ bài nín de jīn róng 稱 念 您 的 聖 號 · 禮 拜 您 的 金 容 。 I invoke your sacred title and I venerate your golden countenance.

nín de bái háo guāng míng zhào liàng zhěng gè yǔ zhòu 您的白毫光明照亮整個宇宙•Your ūrṇā's radiance illuminates the entire universe;

nín de fǎ yǎn yǒu rú hǎi shuǐ yí yàng qīng chè 您的法眼有如海水一樣清澈。Your Dharma eyes are as pure as water in the ocean.

wǒ mén yóu zhōng dì gǎn xiè nín zài jiǔ yuǎn jié qián 我們由衷地感謝您在久遠劫前•We are extremely grateful that in many kalpas past,

fā sì shí bā yuàn jiù dù wǒ mén 發四十八願救度我們。 you made forty-eight vows to liberate us.

nín yú shí jié qián yuán mǎn fó dào zhuāng yán le jí lè jìng tǔ 您於十劫前圓滿佛道•莊嚴了極樂淨土。
Ten kalpas ago, you perfected the path to buddhahood and adorned the Pure Land of Ultimate Bliss.

nín nà lǐ 您那裡: In your land,

qī bǎo chí zhōng lián huá duó duó bā gōng dé shuǐ róu ruǎn qīng liáng 七寶池中蓮華朵朵。八功德水柔軟清凉。
Lotuses bloom in the pools of seven treasures;

Water of eight merits and virtues is soft and refreshing;

háng shù lóu gé jǐng rán yǒu xù xiāng fēng shí lái shū yuè zhòng xīn 行 樹 樓 閣 井 然 有 序。 香 風 時 來 舒 悅 眾 心。
Rows of trees, buildings and pavilions are neatly aligned;
When the fragrant breeze blows, it delights and soothes all minds;

fàn yīn miào yuè chù chù piāo dàng qí huā yì niǎo xuān yáng fó fǎ **梵 音 妙 樂 處 處 飄 盪 。 奇 花 異 鳥 宣 揚 佛 法。**Pure voices and wondrous music resonate in every place;
Sublime flowers and exotic birds proclaim the Buddha-Dharma;

yī shí wú quē suí xīn suǒ xiàn zhū shàng shàn rén jù huì yí chù 衣食無缺隨心所現。諸上善人聚會一處。
Food and clothing are never lacking, appearing with one's thoughts;
Those of supreme virtue gather together in this one place;

měi rì qīng dàn gòng yǎng zhū fó 每日清旦供養豬佛。
And present offerings to all buddhas each day at dawn.

nín nà lǐ **您 那 裡:** In your land,



guó tử méi yǒu huán jìng de wū rǎn 國 土•沒有 環 境 的 污 染。
The realm is free of environmental pollution;

jīng jì méi yǒu cái chǎn de zhàn yǒu 經濟·沒有財產的佔有。 Economic systems are free of material ownership;

shēng huó méi yǒu è rén de cán hài 生 活・沒有惡人的殘害。 Life is free of harm from vicious people;

chǔ zhòng méi yǒu rén wǒ de shì fēi 處 眾 • 沒 有 人 我 的 是 非。 Interactions are free of conflict between self and others;

jiāo yóu méi yǒu cāi yí de wù huì **交遊・沒有猜疑的誤會。** Socializing is free of misunderstanding from doubt and assumptions;

zhèng zhì méi yǒu pò hài de yuān qū 政治・沒有追害的冤屈。 Politics are free of the harm of injustice;

jiāo tōng méi yǒu shì gù de fā shēng **交通・沒有事故的發生。**Traffic is free of the occurrence of mishaps;

shè huì méi yǒu jiē jí de chā bié 社 會·沒 有 階級的差別。 Society is free of class distinctions.

cí bēi wěi dà de ō mí tuó fó 慈悲偉大的阿彌陀佛! Oh great, compassionate Amitābha Buddha!

wǒ yào xiàng nín qīng sù zài wǒ mén zhè gè wǔ zhuó è shì lǐ 我 要 向 您 傾 訴·在我 們 這 個 五 濁 惡 世 裡·I wish to tell you, in our evil world of Five Degenerations,

rén yǔ rén zhī jiān ěr yú wǒ zhà guó yǔ guó zhī jiān fēn zhēng bù xí 人 與 人 之 間 爾 虞 我 詐 • 國 與 國 之 間 紛 爭 不 息。
Between people, there is deception; between nations, there is endless conflict;

wǒ mén de yōu kǔ rú dà hǎi bān de shēn chén 我們的憂苦如大海般的深沉。 Our worries are as deep as the ocean;

wǒ mén de fán nǎo xiàng màn cǎo bān de mián yán 我們的煩惱像夢草般的綿延。 Our afflictions grow as extensively as vines.

cí bēi wěi dà de ō mí tuó fó 慈悲偉大的阿彌陀佛! Oh great, compassionate Amitābha Buddha!

qí qiú nín yǐ cí shì shè shòu wǒ yuàn wǒ zài mèng mèi zhī jì 新求您以慈誓攝受我·願我在夢寐之際・ Please accept and embrace me with your compassionate vows. I vow that in my dreams,

néng gòu jiàn dào nín de jīn shēn néng gòu yóu lì nín de jìng tǔ 能 夠 見 到 您 的 金 身 · 能 夠 遊 歷 您 的 淨 土 · I will be able to see your golden body, I will wander through your Pure Land,

néng gòu dé dào nín de gān lù guàn dǐng 能夠得到您的甘露灌頂• I will receive your consecration of sweet dew,

néng gòu dé dào nín de guāng míng chù zhào 能夠得到您的光明觸照。
And I will be illuminated by your radiance.

ràng wǒ xiāo chú sù yè ràng wǒ zēng zhǎng shàn gēn 讓我消除宿業•讓我增長善根• Please cause me to absolve my past karma, please cause me to grow my roots of virtue,

ràng wǒ jiǎn shǎo fán nǎo ràng wǒ tí shēng yuàn lì 讓我減少煩惱・讓我提昇願力。 Please cause me to reduce my afflictions, and please cause me to strengthen the power of my vows.



qí qiú nín yǐ bēi xīn dù huà wǒ ràng wǒ zài shì yuán yǐ liǎo shí 新求您以悲心度化我•讓我在世緣已了時•
I pray that you will liberate me using your mind of compassion, so that when my affinities with this world have come to an end,

néng gòu yù zhī shí zhì shēn wú bìng kǔ

能 夠 預 知 時 至 • 身 無 病 苦。

I will be able to foresee when my time has come, and my body will be free from illness and pain;

néng gòu xīn wú diān dǎo zhèng niàn fēn míng

能夠心無顚倒•正念分明。

I will be able to have a mind free of delusions, and clearly possess right mindfulness.

qí qiú nín hé pú sà shèng zhòng shǒu chí jīn tái fàng guāng jiē yǐn 新求您和菩薩聖眾・手持金台・放光 接引。
I pray that you and the sacred assembly of bodhisattvas will hold a golden dais and radiate light to welcome and guide me,

ràng suǒ yǒu jiàn wén de rén 讓 所 有 見 聞 的 人 • Causing all who see and hear you

dōu néng huān xǐ zàn tàn fā pú tí xīn 都 能 歡 喜 讚 歎 • 發 菩 提 心。
To all rejoice and praise this, and bring forth the bodhi mind;

dōu néng wén miào fǎ yīn huò wú shēng rěn

都能聞妙法吾・獲無生忍。

To all hear the sound of the wondrous Dharma, and realize the patience of non-arising.

ràng wǒ néng gòu dé dào nín de shòu jì

讓 我 能 夠 得 到 您 的 授 記・

Please cause me to be able to obtain a prophecy of awakening from you,

chèng yuàn zài lái hóng fǎ lì shēng

乘 願 再 來 · 弘 法 利 生 。

Return by my own vows, and teach the Dharma to benefit beings;

yuàn suǒ yǒu de zhòng shēng 願所有的眾生 I vow that all sentient beings

dōu néng gòu tóng shēng xī fāng yǒng bú tuì zhuǎn 都 能 夠 同 生 西 方 · 永 不 退 轉 。
Will be able to be reborn together in the Western Pure Land and never retrogress.

cí bēi wěi dà de fó tuó 慈悲偉大的佛陀! Oh great, compassionate Buddha!

qǐng qiú nín jiē shòu wǒ zhì chéng de qí yuàn 請求您接受我至誠的祈願• Please accept my sincerest prayer.

qǐng qiú nín jiē shòu wǒ zhì chéng de qí yuàn 請求您接受我至誠的祈願。 Please accept my sincerest prayer.

Dedication Verse 回向偈]

● yuàn shēng xī fāng jìng tǔ zhōng jiú pìn lián huá wéi fù mǔ 願 生 西方淨土中・九品蓮華為父母・Vowing to be reborn in the Western Pure Land,
The Nine Stages of Lotus Blossoms serve as parents.

huá kāi jiàn fó wù wú shēng bú tuì pú sà wéi bàn lǚ 華 開 見 佛 悟 無 生 • 不 退 菩 薩 為 伴 侶。
When the blossom opens and the Buddha is seen, one awakens to non-arising With non-regressive bodhisattvas as companions!

[Venerate the Buddha with Three Prostrations+ Bow 禮佛三拜、問訊]

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