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Yangsi Rinpoche President, Maitripa College 1119 SE Market St. Portland, Oregon 97214

Venerable Yangsi Rinpoche,

It is with profound sadness that we learn of the sudden passing away of Kyabje Lama Zopa Rinpoche. On behalf of the Kashag, we express our solidarity and deep condolences to all the students and staff of the Maitripa College and all who mourn this great loss.

While embodying Buddha's teaching of compassion, kindness and love, Rinpoche successfully dedicated his life to teaching and sharing these core messages across the globe. In addition to Rinpoche's vast contribution to Buddha Dharma and Sangha, Rinpoche has been actively supporting the cause of welfare and education in the Tibetan community. In particular, Rinpoche has been a prominent contributor to our initiatives and efforts to care for the elderly and the vulnerable members of the Tibetan community in exile.

We earnestly pray that Rinpoche's meritorious legacy continues to inspire and hope that his followers will steadfastly learn and practice his teachings to realise his aspirations and visions. We join the Buddhist community in their fervent prayers for his swift return for the benefit of all sentient beings.

Sincerely,

The Kashag