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As soon as I heard the sad news of the passing of His Eminence Lama Zopa Rinpoche, who has extraordinarily dedicated his entire life for the Buddha Dharma in all its aspects of exposition, practice and rituals, I immediately felt a great sense of loss, sorrow, and helplessness. However, as it is said, 'The noble beings overcome sickness, aging and death, by seeing the actual reality of the sufferings.' He is not only a great benefactor of the Buddha Dharma in general; I personally have great acquaintance with him, and therefore, with a heavy heart, I offer my condolences to his family, relatives and the Sangha.

I request all his followers to engage in Dharma activities in order to fulfill the untainted wishes of the supreme master. I too will continue to recite my supplication and aspiration prayers for the spontaneous fulfillment of his wishes, and particularly for the birth of his reincarnation that will continue the noble deeds of the predecessor.

The Sakya Trichen

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