ANNOUNCEMENT

MEMORIAL CEREMONY FOR ZEN MASTER THICH NHAT HANH

Hayward, January 24, 2022

Namo Shakyamuni Buddha Dear Respected Hi-Venerables Dear dharma friends and all sanghas Dear Buddhist Youth leaders and members

In order to show our deep gratitude to Su Ong Plum Village who had great love and grand merit in many years to teach meditation and translate the grand sutras, the Compassion Meditation Center working with the Vietnamese and American Sanghas in our area would like to offer ceremonies to remember Su Ong at the Compassion Meditation Center, 17327 Meekland Avenue, Hayward, CA 94541:

- Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 10:00 am for English-speaking community.
- Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 11:00 am, (right after the weekly online Google Meet program at 9:30 am of "Xa Mặt Nhưng Chẳng Cách Lòng" "Our hearts are together even though we are apart")

Respectfully following the teaching in the Will of Su Ong, we would like to ask sanghas to follow the three vows below:

- Diligently practice mindful living in daily life to manifest peaceful and awakening life.
- Earnestly nourish brotherhood and sisterhood in monasteries and sanghas to show your gratitude in following the Plum Village practice and tradition.
- Last but not least, sincerely contribute financially to TNH foundation (with memo: Monasteries to support the three monasteries that Su Ong established in the United States; or memo: Memorial Donation to support the activities of Su Ong's memorial services)

In addition, during the memorial service period of Su Ong, we also pay attention to the youth training which is the deep desire of Su Ong, we will have a bilingual (Vietnamese and English) ceremony on Thursday night, January 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm "Lighting the Candle Prayer Night"

All ceremonies will be live stream via FaceBook of the Compassion Meditation Center (Pho Tu).

When you come to the Compassion Meditation Center, please happily being mindful to protect each other's health by following the guidelines of the Health Department on vaccination, wearing masks and keeping distancing. If you stay home, we respectfully invite you to practice mindfulness in about 10 minutes contemplating on the following gatha:

'Breathing in, calming the body and mind Breathing out, smiling Present moment Wonderful moment."

In the present moment, we always have each other and be with Su Ong as clouds coming and going in freedom everywhere. At this moment, the Root Temple Tu Hieu and many places in the world, all sanghas with sincerity and deep gratitude, we offer to our Respected Teacher who spent his whole life to share the Buddha Dharma, cultural education, calling for peace and building society with great Love and Humanity.

We respectfully wish you peace of mind, great health and freedom.

Respectfully,

Thich Tu Luc

Mindfulness is the Heart of Life

The Compassion Meditation Center