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Dear Sister Dhammavijaya and Sister Molini,

We are delighted to join in honoring you both on this wonderful occasion! On behalf of the Yellow Springs Dharma Center (in partnership with our colleagues Sister Judith Martin, SSJ, of University of Dayton, and Dr. Catherine Roma of Wilmington College) we congratulate you with deep gratitude for your generosity in sharing the Dharma with so many of us here in the U.S.

Sister Dhammavijaya, how fortunate for so many that you fully ordained as member of the Sangha twenty-five years ago and thus today preside over the jewel that is Dhamma Moli. Sister Molini, your work with women monastics and as an educator in Burma has been recognized through the prestigious *Ganta Wacaka Pandita* award. Your lives are an example to all that the leadership of women in the sangha is strong. Despite many difficulties, you both persevered to build a life of deep and abiding commitment to dharma, a role model for women in Buddhism.

We congratulate you from the heart.

Your work together in establishing the *Dhamma Moli* project to protect young girls from trafficking is very meaningful to us. Through the inception of this ambitious project to its current strong establishment, we have gratefully supported *Dhamma Moli*, as you demonstrate how the Buddha Way can truly end suffering in the here and now.

The Yellow Springs Dharma Center holds you in our hearts, remembering fondly the Dharma teachings, stories and chanting that you freely gave to us on your remarkable visits. We are grateful for your expertise in guiding our beloved Sayadaw U Nyaneinda from Bodh Gaya to the USA and escorting him on an amazing journey across our country in 2009. We remember the great efforts that you put forward to give us our beautiful Buddha statue now sitting on the main altar of our Dharma Center. We also recall with a smile the snow stupa topped with the Buddhist flag that you built together in front of the Dharma Center during a very cold winter! Your presence and contributions to University of Dayton and Wilmington College students enriched their lives. Thank you for every gift that you have given us in the Dharma. Your names are part of our history and forever in our hearts.

Thank you for your lives, dedicated to the Dharma. May you both thrive with good health and long life on this great Dharma path and may your work and influence long endure.

With deep metta,

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