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To: The Sangha of the Karma Kagyu

It is a sad and tragic moment that Hannah Nydahl had to go before her time. In her time, she did all that she could. Hannah and Ole Nydahl were one of the closest disciples of me, my predecessor and my teacher, H.H. Shamar Rinpoche. She has kept her promise to spread the Dharma in the West. For that we are all deeply appreciative and grateful. When she passed, she passed as a true practitioner of the Dharma and her husband and Dharma partner, Ole, was a witness to this.

We should not grieve over her passing but rather rejoice in her accomplishments and activities. What she has achieved is beyond measure and she is simply irreplaceable. Though her physical form is no longer with us, her compassion and loving kindness will be.

In these times, we should dedicate our merit so that her wishes will come true.

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