

SHAMBHALA INTERIM BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OATH OF OFFICE

I bow before the Profound Brilliant Just Powerful All-Victorious Rigden, the omniscient Buddha, the enlightened monarchs of the past who led good human societies, and the warriors who bravely opened their eyes and hearts. I invoke the doubtless confidence of the Dorje Dradül, who proclaimed the Tiger Lion Garuda Dragon vision of Shambhala. Holders of the Shambhala lineage embodying compassion and wisdom, who promote enlightened society, guide me and inspire me.

Following the principles taught by the Kongma Sakyong, Jampal Trinley Dradül, and the Sakyong Wangmo, Dechen Chöying Sangmo, and rejoicing in my good fortune, I, given name, bodhisattva name or Shambhala name, as a member of the Shambhala Interim Board vow to propagate the vision and culture of Shambhala as proclaimed by the Druk Sakyong, Trungpa Rinpoche, and Sakyong Mipham Rinpoche. I recognize that a good life, based on the principles of bravery and kindness, is accessible to everyone, and aspire that this knowledge may blossom into enlightened society.

As a leader in Shambhala, I commit to my personal path of practice and study. I pledge to uphold my commitment to the disciplines of sitting meditation and meditation in action. In particular, through mindfulness and awareness, may I realize contentment, appreciate the present moment, and not cause harm to myself or others.

I request the dralas and protectors to support me in my aspirations as a member of the Interim Board. I call upon the magic of the phenomenal world to assist me in my duties.

May I develop equanimity in the midst of the reality of change, accepting gain or loss without hope or fear. May I open my heart to delight through the discipline of service. I vow to approach my work and my colleagues with gentleness, exertion, and a sense of humor.

With a mind of selflessness, I aspire to radiate confidence and compassion. I aspire to perform my role with gentleness and good cheer, remembering the basic goodness in myself, others, and society. I dedicate my service to the benefit of others, so that everyone may experience their own goodness and decency.

As appropriate and agreed upon by my fellow Interim Board members, I vow to maintain confidentiality as required and to share information regularly with representatives of Shambhala, Process Team members, and members of the worldwide Shambhala community.

I pledge my commitment to the Shambhala lineage of Sakyongs and the society of my fellow Shambhala Warriors. Should I turn my mind from this oath, may I be liberated from my position.

KI KI SO SO! Great Eastern Arise!