

April 1, 2024

Dear Kirk,

We are writing on behalf of the Nyingma Community. We want first to acknowledge that you have devoted many years of your life to working and living with us as a full-time volunteer. Your service to the Nyingma Community and our founder's projects has made a real contribution. Over the years, you have so often expressed in writing your appreciation for Rinpoche and the work we have all accomplished together. For all of this, we thank you.

However, it has recently come to our attention that in the past few months, you have been disseminating emails and letters containing false and damaging claims about our organization and founder. These communications have not only damaged our reputation but have also caused confusion and concern among individuals both inside and outside our community.

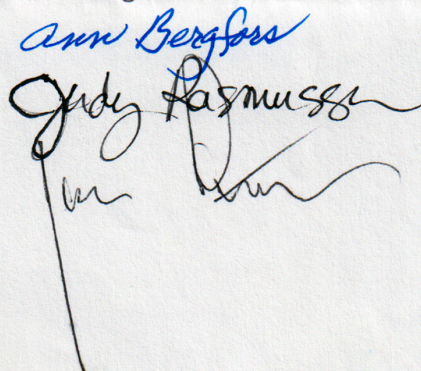
We want to make it clear that such actions are unacceptable and harmful to the values and mission we stand for. Our community has served the Buddhadharma tirelessly for sixty years, making a significant impact on its preservation. Your past contributions as a volunteer are appreciated, but your recent conduct undermines the integrity and work of our community. Any continued effort to spread misinformation or damage our longstanding organization will not be tolerated. Please stop now.

We understand that you are suffering, and we encourage you to seek the support and healing you need. However, this should not come at the expense of damaging the reputation and trust our community has built over many years.

In closing, we encourage you to prioritize your own healing and well-being.

Sincerely,

Judy Rasmussen, Jack Petranker, and Ann Bergfors

The block contains three handwritten signatures. The top signature is in blue ink and reads "Ann Bergfors". Below it are two signatures in black ink; the one on the left is "Judy Rasmussen" and the one on the right is "Jack Petranker".