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Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Dharma,

As I ask you for your renewed support of the Buddhist Council of New York, I would like to thank you for your support in the past. Because of you we have been able to be successful in our endeavors.

I am sure you are familiar with our annual outreach events: Buddhist Forum, Meditate NYC, and Vesak Celebration. But we can’t do these events without your membership and support. As a group, we do not exist without your active participation.

We know how difficult times are, but I make this request knowing that the funds you send will be put to good use, bringing the different Buddhist traditions together and helping the Buddhist community grow in the New York Area.

We are a totally volunteer organization, as I suspect you are. We have no office or staff, so all funds raised go directly to serving the Buddhist community. The Buddhist community in New York is very diverse with so many different traditions. I hope you agree it is important to have an organization through which we come together to communicate and so understand our different points of view, and to express our Buddhist view to the City. Also the Buddhist Council considers it a top priority to help you grow your community.

Membership Benefits Include:

- Supporting Buddhist awareness, Interfaith participation and community outreach.
- Listing on our promotional postcards and in our websites: http://BuddhistCouncilNY.org/
- Being part of the Buddhist Forum as well as Vesak celebration
- “Table Space” at all public Council events, including Meditate NYC and the Buddhist Forum
- You can send your voting representative to our monthly meetings, sharing your concerns and ideas.

The cost of membership is $150.00 for a center/organization/temple and $50.00 for an individual. Please send the membership and general donation, payable to Buddhist Council of New York:

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Thank you for your consideration and support. May all beings be well and happy.

Yours in Sangha,

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