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Master Dr. Chan Toan, Abbot of the Pho Hien Temple
Abbots of Temples and head of Buddhist Communities
Bantes, venerable, dignitaries, distinguished guests, fellow Buddhists,
Ladies and gentleman, children and families

I am humbled by the honor to have this opportunity to offer my heartfelt congratulation to all of you today. Under the leadership of the Chief Monk of Canada, Most Ven. Pannasara, the hard work and dedication of the Bantes and members of the Brampton Buddhist Mission Centre, the **Annual International Buddhist Parade for 'World Peace'** (AIBPWP) is marching on for the eighth consecutive year. The number of Temples and Buddhist community representatives has steadily grown to a dozen. I regret my absence as I am out of the country. I will be succinct not to repeat the numerous congratulatory notes you have already heard from many distinguished speakers although I share their sentiments. I do want to express my sincere wish that next year we can expand our invitations to brother and sisters from other faiths outside of Buddhism. Our **Parade is for 'World Peace'**. The world consists of many different religions and ethnicities. Therefore, my humble wish is that eventually all other religions and ethnic communities will participate in this World Peace Parade. If so, the notoriety, publicity and media coverage will take the movement up to another level. That is the wish and hope I humbly offer to the convention at this most auspicious occasion. May all be bestowed by the blessings of the Triple Gem.

With deep appreciative joy!

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