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Walt 2056 The Blessed One named Siddhattha,

the World’s Best One, the Bull of Men,

Honored by the monks’ Assembly,

entered into the city then. Verse 1

Walt 2057 In the king’s inner-chambers there

I lived as the trusted watchman.

When I was inside the palace,

I saw the Buddha, World-Leader. Verse 2

Walt 2058 Taking a kaṇavera flower,

I scattered it among the monks.

Then I scattered some more of them

for him, the Buddha, separately. Verse 3

Walt 2059 In the ninety-four aeons since
I did that flower-offering,
I've come to know no bad rebirth:
the fruit of flower-offering. Verse 4

Walt 2060 In the eighty-seventh aeon
there were four named Mahiddhika,
wheel-turning kings with great power,
possessors of the seven gems. Verse 5

Walt 2061 The four analytical modes,
and these eight deliverances,
six special knowledges mastered,
I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Kaṇaverapupphiya Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Kaṇaverapupphiya Thera is finished.

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