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Walt 2488 Back then I placed upon my head

seven trumpet-flower blossoms;

I offered them to the Buddha,

Vessabhu, Supreme among Men. Verse 1

Walt 2489 In the thirty-one aeons since

I did pūjā with that flower,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of flower-pūjā. Verse 2

Walt 2490 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 3

Thus indeed Venerable Pāṭalipūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Pāṭalipūjaka Thera is finished.

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