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Walt 5579 I was formerly a hunter,

wandering in the woods back then.

I saw the Buddha, Stainless One,

who was Master of Everything. Verse 1

Walt 5580 Happy, with pleasure in my heart,

I offered a girinil bloom

for the Compassionate One, the

Delighter, Friend of All Beings. Verse 2

Walt 5581 In the thirty-one aeons since

I offered him that flower then,

I’ve come to know no bad rebirth:

that’s the fruit of Buddha-pūjā. Verse 3

Walt 5582 My defilements are now burnt up;

all new existence is destroyed.

Like elephants with broken chains,

I am living without constraint. Verse 4

Walt 5583 Being in Best Buddha's presence

was a very good thing for me.

The three knowledges are attained;

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 5

Walt 5584 The four analytical modes,

and these eight deliverances,

six special knowledges mastered,

I have done what the Buddha taught! Verse 6

Thus indeed Venerable Girinelapūjaka Thera spoke these verses.

The legend of Girinelapūjaka Thera is finished.

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