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Dear Friends,

Recently, IMC received the welcome surprise of a \$2 million dollar offer to help create a residential retreat center. This generous donation is allowing us to act on a long held dream of establishing an insight retreat center on the Peninsula.

I am enthused by this project and have a clear vision of the many retreats and other programs this will allow us to offer. I look forward to teaching more retreats in a venue that is close enough to IMC so that I may continue with my teachings here. I am also delighted with the prospect of inviting some great teachers to teach retreats for us.

As news of the possibility of IMC acquiring a retreat center have spread, many people have shared their enthusiasm for it, have eagerly offered to help, and some have already begun the work to actualize it.

At this point, our greatest need is additional financial support to place us in a better position to buy suitable property. Our goal is to raise \$1 million in additional funds.

I have deep gratitude for being part of the vibrant practice at IMC. The growing maturity of our widespread community has been inspiring. A retreat center in our midst will allow for a further strengthening and maturing, bringing benefits to many people, well beyond our immediate community.

Enclosed are further details. Hopefully it will help convey some of the vision and great potential this project has. It is a vision that will carefully build on the healthy Dharma culture we have established at IMC.

I extend my great thanks to everyone who joins us in holding this vision and for everyone who offers support to make it happen. I look forward to the day we can practice together in the nurturing environment of our own retreat center.

With a deep bow,

Gil Fronsdal