THE SEVEN VERSES OF SUPPLICATION TO TĀRĀ

MA KYE-WA ME-PEI CHÖ-YING NA
In the realm of the unborn mother, the Dharmadhātu,

YUM JE-TSUN LHA-MO DROL-MA ZHUG
Abides the reverend Mother, the Deity Tara.

DE SEM-CHEN KÜN-LA DE TER-MA
She bestows happiness on all sentient beings.

DAG JI-PA KÜN-LE KYAB-TU SÖL
I supplicate Mother Tara (of Dharmadhātu) to protect us from all fears.

RANG CHÖ-KU YIN-PAR MA-SHE-PAR
Not realizing oneself as Dharmakāya,
The minds of sentient beings are overpowered by negative emotions.

These beings wandering in Samsara are my mothers.

I supplicate Mother Tara Deity (of Great Compassion), please protect us.

If the meaning of dharma is not born in one’s heart,

One just follows the words of conventional meaning.

We are deceived by delusory philosophical views and dogmas.

I supplicate Mother Tara of Perfect Wisdom, please protect us.

It is difficult to understand our own mind is Buddha’s mind

Seeing (nature mind) but not familiarizing with it through practice
We are lost in unwholesome worldly activities.

I supplicate Mother Tara of Perfect Mindfulness, please protect us.

The absolute nature of mind is self-arisen, non-dual Buddha wisdom.

Yet, because of habitual grasping to dualistic conception,

We are bound by it, no matter what we do.

I supplicate Mother Tara of Non-Dual Wisdom, please protect us.

Although we abide in the perfect meaning of absolute truth

We do not understand the interdependence of cause and effect on the relative level.

We are ignorant about the true reality of phenomena.
YUM KÜN-KHYEN-GYI LHA-MÖ KYAB-TU SÖL
I supplicate Mother Tara of (Two-Truth) Omniscience, please protect us.

TRÖ-DREL NAM-KHA’I TSEN-NYI CHEN
Like the nature of space, which is beyond all conceptual limits,

THAM-CHE DE-DANG YER-ME KYI
The reality of all conditioned phenomena is no different from that,

DA-DUNG LOB-MA’I GANG-ZAG LA
But there are disciples on the path who do not realize it.

YUM DZOG-SANG-GYE-KYI KYAB-TU SÖL
I supplicate Mother Tara of Perfect Enlightenment (of the Three Kayas), please protect us.

When Lord Jigten Sumgön had a vision of the seven Taras at the Echung cave, he supplicated them with this prayer known as the Seven Verses of Supplication to the Protectress Tara. It is widely known for its extremely powerful blessings.

This prayer is from the root text of the commentary Supplication to the Ultimate Illustrious Tara by Khenpo Samdup Rinpoche.