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To all the ministers of temples, sanghas and devotees all over the world,

We are at a loss for words after the unprecedented, disastrous 2011 earthquake off the Pacific coast of Tohoku that has caused an extensive area to be devastated.

It was with the deepest sorrow that we heard the news that there were Nichiren Shu ministers and devotees who lost their precious lives and that many were left suffering with temple buildings and their homes damaged.

I respectfully wish to pray for the repose of the souls of the departed and to express my sincere sympathy for all those who are suffering.

Though the recovery will not be easy, we Nichiren Shu Buddhists, priests and devotees alike, stand united in stretching out our hands to assist those suffering. With the protective help of the Treasures of the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha, we will reconstruct a peaceful society, with our aim to bring about the Buddha land by establishing the true Dharma.

By Honorable Rev. Nisso Uchino

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