# DELIVERING NORTH AMERICA'S LARGESTRARE FARTH PROJECT

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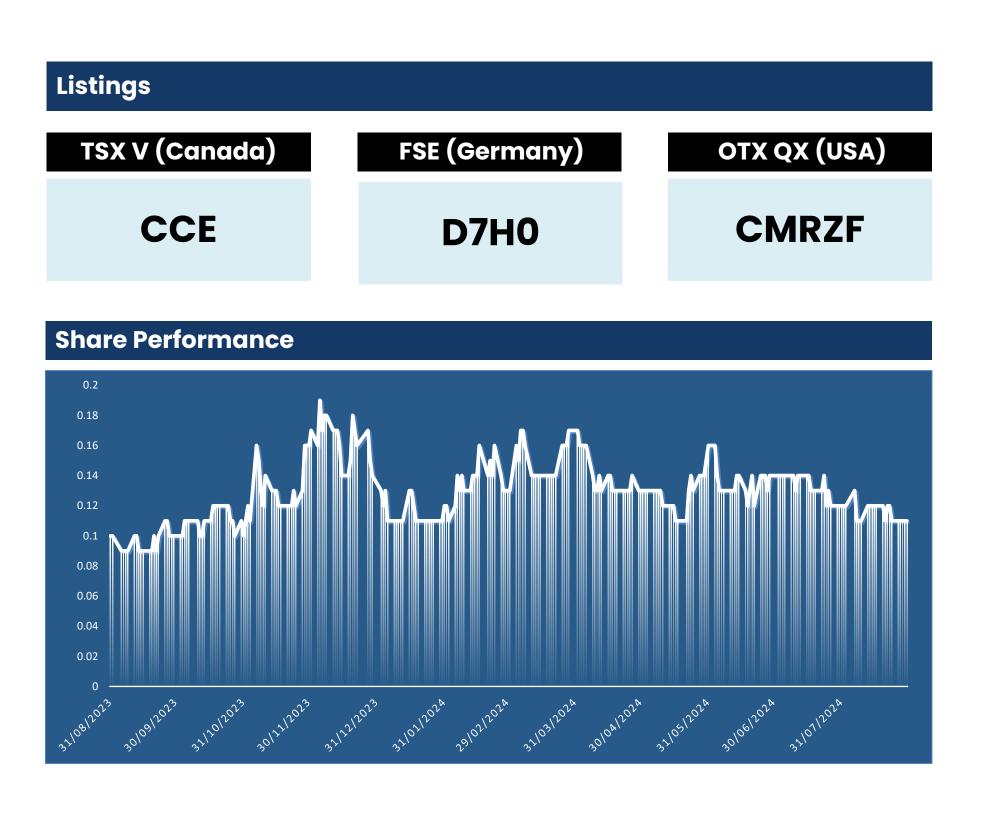
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# **Financial Summary**

| Corporate Information                               |        |  |
|---|--------|--|
|   |        |  |
| <b>Share Price</b> (August 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2024) | \$0.11 |  |
| Share issued & Outstanding                          | 212M   |  |
| Fully Diluted Shares                                | 296M   |  |
| Market Cap  | \$23M  |  |
| Major Shareholders                                  |        |  |
|   |        |  |
| Zimtu Capital                                       | 10.5M  |  |
| Churchill Strategic Investments                     | 9.5M   |  |
| EDE Asset Management Inc.                           | 4.4M   |  |
| Jody Dahrouge                                       | 4.3M   |  |
| Investissement Quebec                               | 2M     |  |





# **Board of Directors**



**Ross Carroll** President & CEO



**Jody Dahrouge** Director



- Served as CFO of MMG, overseeing significant international growth
- Holds a Bachelor's in Commerce from the University of Melbourne.
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
- Member of the Australian Institute of Company Director

- Extensive experience in geological consulting and project management
- Instrumental in guiding the company's exploration and development programs
- Holds a Bachelor's Degree in Science (Geology) from the University of Alberta.
- President of Dahrouge Geological Consulting Ltd. since 1998



**Adam Ritchie** 

Director

- Over 20 years of experience in the resources industry
- Extensive background in project delivery in senior roles at top Australian mining and minerals companies, including Pilbara Minerals, FMG, Rio Tinto, and BHP
- Proven expertise in managing and executing high-impact projects within the mining sector
- Holds a Bachelor's degree in Engineering and a Master's degree in Utility Engineering







 Accomplished mining professional with over 20 years of experience in mineral deposit development and exploration

 Extensive background with major mining companies, including Rio Tinto and Anglo American.

 Former Chief Geologist with the Project Generation Group at Rio Tinto.

 Holds BSc (Hons) in Geology from the University of KwaZulu-Natal in South Africa

- Experienced resources executive with 20 years in the industry, specializing in critical minerals, including rare earths.
- Held various roles from Business Development to Managing Director.
- Financed multiple junior explorers and developers across the ASX and TSX
- Principal and founder of Churchill Strategic Investments Group which has financed multiple junior explorer and developers across the ASX and TSX.

# **Technical Team**

**Chris Grove** Director of Corporate Development

Patrik T. Schmidt, M.Sc., P.Geo Vice President Exploration



- Over 20 years of experience in the resource sector
- Served as Director for multiple junior mineral exploration companies
- Played a key role in raising over \$100M for Commerce Resources since 2004
- President & CEO of Commerce Resources Corp. from 2014 to 2024

- Registered Professional Geologist in Québec and Ontario
- Holds a Master's Degree in Science (Geology) from Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, Germany
- Gained initial industry experience as a student on the Eldor carbonatite project in 2008
- Over 11 years of experience as a Geologist and Project Manager in mineral exploration
- Specialized in critical elements, including rare earth elements (REEs), niobium, tantalum, and lithium

- Registered Professional Geologist in Québec and Alberta
- Holds both a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in Science (Geology) from the University of Calgary
- Over eight years of experience in the mineral exploration and oil & gas sectors
- Joined Dahrouge Geological Consulting Ltd. as a Project Geologist/Manager in 2021
- Specializes in data management and exploration of rare earth elements (REEs), niobium, tantalum, and lithium



Marie – Pier Boivin, M.Sc., P.Geo Exploration Manager

**Darren L. Smith, M.Sc., P.Geo** Technical Advisor, Nb & REE's.

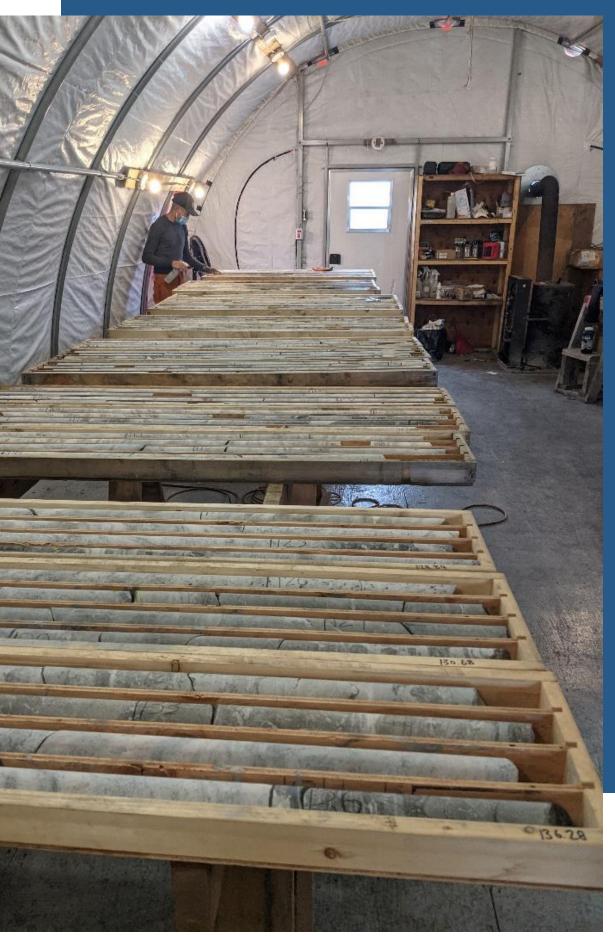


- Professional Geologist with a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Science (Geology) from Carleton University.
- Senior Geologist/Manager at Dahrouge Geological Consulting Ltd.
- Over seventeen years of experience in the mineral exploration industry.
- Specializes in rare earth elements (REEs), niobium, tantalum, and lithium.

# Global REE Market - 2024

- Annual demand has > doubled in the last decade.
- ~ 120,000 tonnes to ~300,000 tonnes
- Chinese producers currently dominate with a greater than 80% market share
- Lynas only new western REE producer in 20 years.
- ~ 40,000 tonnes per annum
- Mountain Pass back in operation (MP Materials).
  - Only REE producer in North America
- Global demand continues to increase







### The Ashram Rare Earth Element and Fluorspar Deposit

The largest monazite dominant carbonatite hosted REE resource in North America

# **Ashram REE & Fluorspar Project**

#### **Attractive Jurisdiction**

- Northern Quebec (Nunavik territory), Canada. •
  - ~130 km south of Kuujjuaq, the administrative centre of Nunavik
- Territory is under treaty (JBNQA & NEQA). •
  - Modern agreement with clear mechanisms in place \_ for indigenous dialogue, consultation, and resource management

#### 100% Ownership of Project

#### Advancing Infrastructure

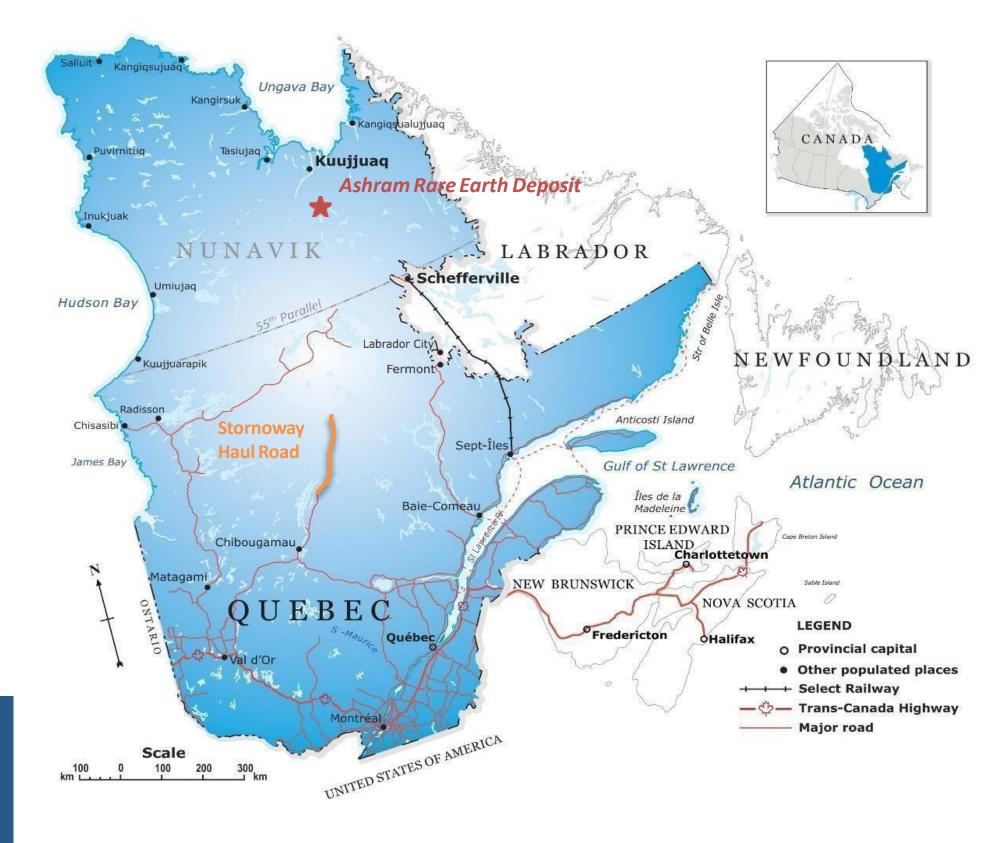
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- Quebec government's Société du Plan Nord mandated to promote investment in northern development.
- Energy & Mineral resource development
- Transportation infrastructure & access ٠

#### **Investment of Resources Québec**

Direct equity investment of \$1 M CAD on February 17, 2017. 

The government of Quebec, through Investissement Québec and the Société duPlan Nord, arranged financing and construction of the 245 kilometre long road for the Renard Diamond Project owned by **Stornoway Diamond Corporation** 

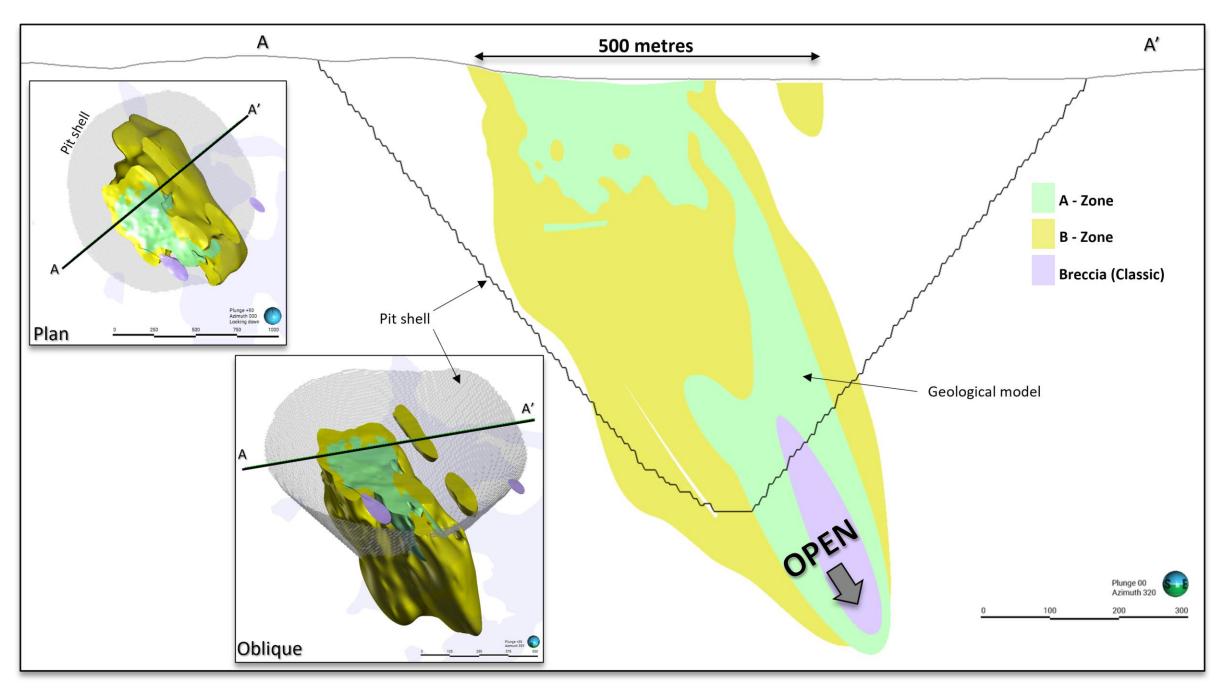


# Ashram Project – Updated Mineral Resource 2024

#### 2024 Mineral Resource1 Estimate:

- Significant increase in Indicated Resource tonnage by 164%
- Indicated:
- 73.2 Mt at 1.89% TREO and 6.6% CaF2
- Inferred:
- 131.1 Mt at 1.91% TREO and 4.0% CaF2
- 21% NdPr distribution (to TREO)

(resource includes all drilling through 2022)



1. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves as they do not have demonstrated economic viability. CaF<sub>2</sub> approximated from F (2.055 conversion factor) based on mineralogy.



# **Breakthrough in Process Flowsheet**

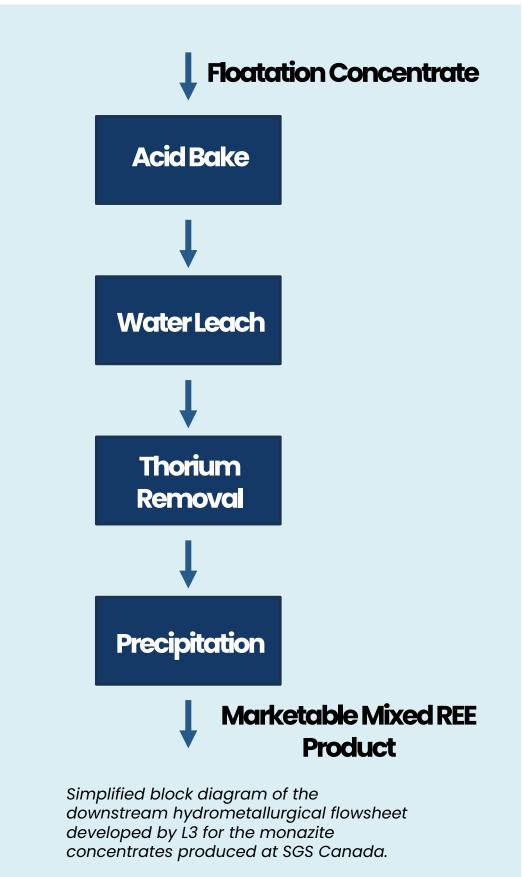
#### Simplification and Optimization of Front-End Mineral Processing Flowsheet:

- 30-35+% REO monazite mineral concentrates produced with strong recovery (60-70%)
- Utilizes only flotation with readily available reagents
- Testwork conducted by SGS Canada, building upon previous work by CanmetMINING

#### Development of Streamlined Hydrometallurgical Flowsheet:

- Bench-scale demonstration for downstream processing of monazite flotation concentrate
- Utilizes standard acid bake water leach process followed by thorium removal and direct REE precipitation
- Testwork conducted by L3 Process Development
- Achieves over 95% recovery into solution for NdPr and over 82% for TbDy
- Significant reduction in sulfuric acid consumption





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# Eldor Property Niobium Exploration – Summer 2024

#### Summer-fall 2024 exploration program

- 7,500 m of NQ diamond drilling (Avataa Rouillier selected for drilling)
- Intervention permit ('drilling permit') received in late May 2024
- Drilling commenced July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### Initial planned meterage:

7,500 m over ~ 2.5 months of drilling

#### Anticipated meterage based on current forecasting:

~ 8,200 m over ~ 2.25 months of drilling

#### Anticipated drilling end date:

September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (weather permitting)

#### Total Drilled to date (August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024): 6,964 m

- Estimated end of core processing, shipping of samples, and closing of Camp for the season: October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- Final assay results expected: November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024



#### **Targets Drilled To Date**

|                | Mallard | Miranna | Spoke | Loon | Knox | Northwest | Moira |
|----------------|---------|---------|-------|------|------|-----------|-------|
| # Holes        | 5       | 3       | 5     | 2    | 6    | 2         | 2     |
| Drilled<br>(m) | 1547    | 759     | 1530  | 633  | 1552 | 618       | 325   |



# Solving the infrastructure challenge

### Applying to the Critical Mineral's Infrastructure Fund to assist with road construction to Ashram – supported by BBA

- The Critical Minerals Infrastructure Fund (CMIF) will provide up to
- \$1.5 billion in federal funding over 7 years for clean energy and transportation infrastructure projects necessary to enable the sustainable development and expansion of critical minerals in Canada, and with a focus on projects that provide economic benefit to Indigenous peoples – Inuit.



#### CANADA

- Investissement Quebec
- Strategic Innovation Fund application submitted
- Provincial and Federal grants and schemes focused on critical minerals (CIB, EDC)



#### **UNITED STATES**

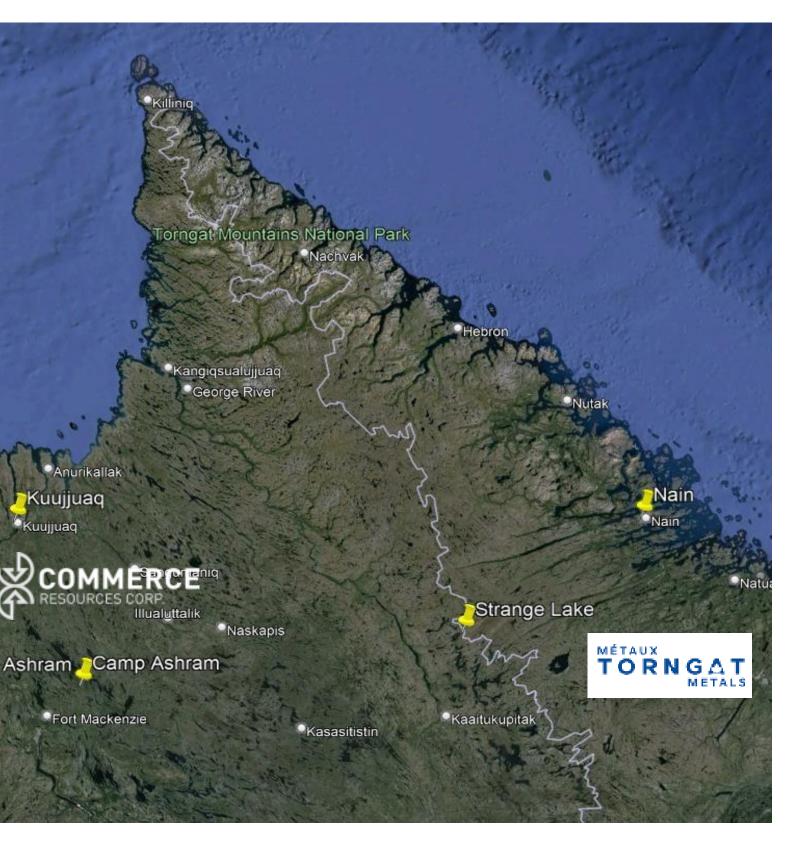
- Inflation Reduction Act
- Department of Defense, Department of Energy



#### **EUROPEAN UNION**

• European Raw Material Alliance





# What makes Commerce Resources different to other REE hopefuls

- The largest monazite dominant carbonatite hosted REE resource in North America.
  - One of the largest undeveloped REE deposits in the world
- Globally significant Rare Earth Element (REE) project in a Tier 1 jurisdiction
- Significant incentives available from both the Canadian and U.S. government
- Close to the USA market
- Large Flourspar resource that will add significant byproduct credits
- Highly prospective Niobium exploration program underway



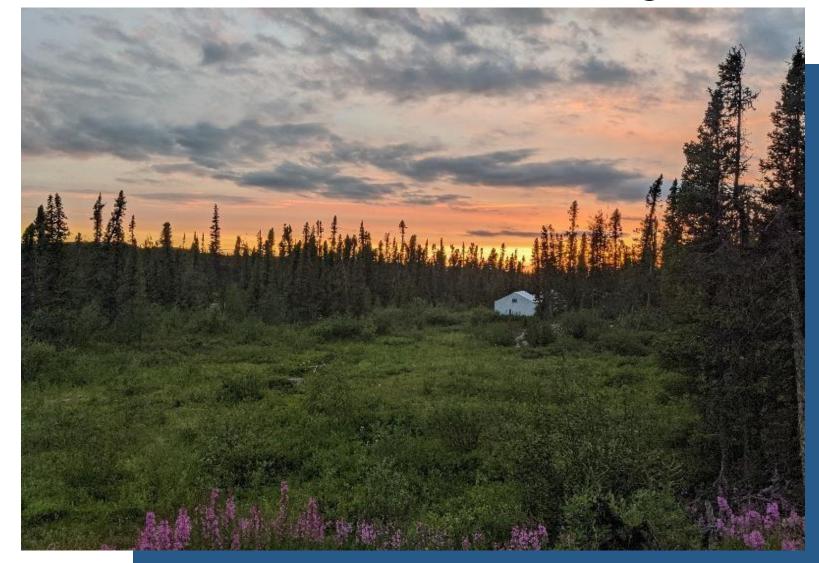


#### Camp Valcourt



## **How does Commerce unlock value?**

- Revitalised Board and Management
- Improvement to the quality of share register
- Indicated resource recently increased by 164%
- Completion of the Niobium drilling program and understanding of the potential
- Updated PEA about to commence
- ASX listing in planning
- Obtain government support
  - Funding / grants available to the Project
  - Fast track approvals.
- Project partner
  - Potential for upstream and downstream project partners given the size and quality of the project







#### Drill tent at dawn Ashram, August 2021

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