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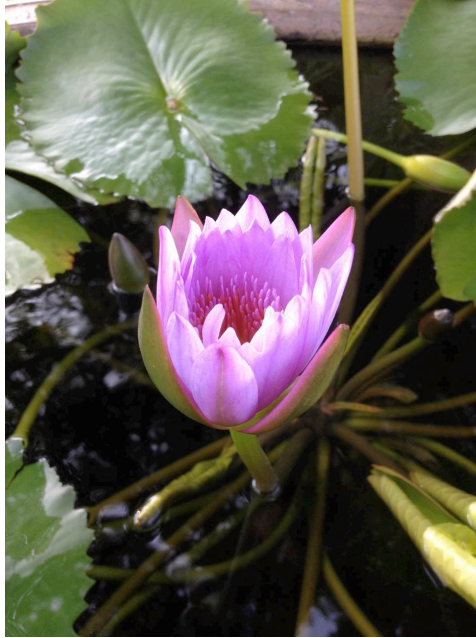
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“予独爱莲之出淤泥而不染，濯清涟而不妖。”—【宋】周敦颐《爱莲说》

*I, for one, love only the lotus—for the way it emerged untainted from the muck,
Raising cleanly above ripples of water with an unaffected grace.*

— Zhou, Dunyi (Song Dynasty) “On the Love of Lotus”