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To whom it may concern

I received my BS in Industrial Design from the University of Cincinnati in 1968. In the same year I moved to Los Angeles, CA and worked as a design engineer in the area for twelve years.

It was in 1978, while browsing in a bookstore, that I chanced to come across one of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's religious books. I was immediately struck by his crystal clarity and understanding in areas of interest to me. My world opened as I read from his books.

With my work I began to be able to stand back more and view a new design concept with a greater perspective. Problems in the conceptual phase became apparent more easily and solutions were arrived at more quickly. Stated otherwise, my work became more enjoyable, more interesting and alive. His teachings showed me a way by which I can celebrate my life both in work and play.

In 1981 I came to Rajneeshpuram, where I have been a resident since.

Bhagwan teaches us to be whole; to be both spiritualists and materialists. In the field of design and engineering, we concern ourselves with the material world, and when we get lost in this world, our work suffers because it no longer nourishes that deeper part in us which we call spirit or soul. Understanding his teachings we see a way and when both the material and spiritual sides are nourished, it is reflected in our creativity; in our work.

Bhagwan is a great asset to this country. Recognized as a great spiritual leader throughout the world, he is a man of great inspiration. His teachings nourish the spirit within us, and only when this spirit awakens will love come alive, will man grow, will this earth celebrate. He should be welcomed in this country.

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