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To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter because the question of allowing Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh to become a permanent resident of the United States is being decided. My understanding is that there is question about his authenticity and his present silence.

I graduated from the University of California at Santa Cruz with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology in 1972. I first learned of Bhagwan in 1981 after he had come to the United States and while he was in silence. Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's understanding of man and his behavior far surpassed anything I had ever come in contact with.

I have been living here in Oregon in Bhagwan's presence for 14 months. Where as it was easy for me to write of my work prior to my contact with Bhagwan, it is very difficult for me to find words to describe how it is that living in His presence, being physically near Him while he is in silence, has given me more insights into human behavior than any of my studies ever provided.

The discourses and books of Bhagwan's I had read contained the clearest and best guidance about life I had ever been given; being in His presence far surpasses anything I could ever receive from reading.

I urge all of you who have a part to play in deciding the fate of Bhagwan's residency to consider the extraordinary asset He would be to any country, and to take the appropriate action to assure that the United States remains the recipient of this asset

Sincerely,

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