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Beloved To Whom It May Concern: Love.

I totally support the application for Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh to be given permanent residency rights in the U.S.A.

I am a U.S. Citizen, born in Boston, Massachusetts & am 42 years of age. I reside in British Columbia, Canada. I was born in the American Dream and was thoroughly educated in the ideals upon which the U.S.A. was founded. After finishing a few years of college and becoming increasingly appalled at the horror wrought by our country in Southeast Asia, I moved my family to Canada. Here I have come to love in the peace and love which was my birth-right. With my family I started a small farm and later a business grew out of the knowledge gained from farming herbs. Presently I am director of two herb tea producing companies in Canada and the U.S.A. These companies are small but dedicated to serving a product of complete integrity & fine value. Being born in love and having grown up protected by middle-class America I have been able to live a sensitive life. Early on the Compassion of Gautam the Buddha touched me deeply. Some eight years ago I read "Only One Sky", a book on the "Great Song of Liberation" of an enlightened Buddhist Master. This book was a transcription of discourses given by Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh at Poona, India. My heart was opened by the Joy and Love that flowed thru this Being. Slowly, meditating on the commentaries on the "Great Song" my life gained a new center. Over time I learned that Bhagwan was indeed a Living Master illuminating the mystery schools of religious experience and at the same time developing meditation and therapies which were transforming the lives of participants at the ashram in India and in centers around the world. I became thirsty to drink from the fountain of this exceptional Being. I read all I could, listened to tapes of discourses and met His sannyasins when I could. Finally I felt to open my heart totally to this beautiful One and made plans to travel to India. At this point the world turned Upside-down and Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh arrived in America. Lover that I am I immediately took sannyas of Bhagwan and received my new name: Swami devaraj. I felt and still feel reborn.

Bhagwan's Love and clarity of Vision has been shared with millions of fortunate beings. Increasingly His message of Love is reaching many hearts in America. Love is the message Americans need at this moment. Our summer Celebrations of His Love has reached many millions thru media coverage. The example of His loving community in Rajneeshpuram, Oregon is an inspiration to many withwhom I have shared my experience.

The Energy and Love that flows thru Bhagwan Shree is a fountainhead that will vastly benefit and transform all of humanity.

This precious Being needs the support of all people in North America.

We are blessed to be in the presence of a Prince of Peace, if we but have the eyes to see.

At this crossroads of humanity's evolution every effort needs be expended to support the energy of love, awareness and respect for our Mother Earth.

This is the message of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh thru my perception.

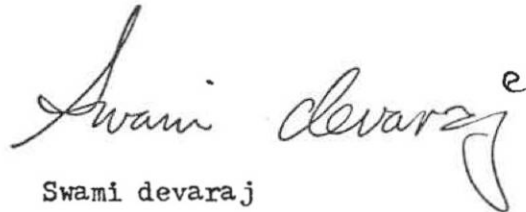
I can not imagine any place on Earth more befitting for Bhagwan to be than among His lovers and friends in their commune-city here in western America.

Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has my total support and commitment to living my life as joyously, openly and lovingly as I am able. My being a more loving and cooperatively contributing person, in His Light, is my total commitment to a peaceful existence.

Bhagwan's ability to share His Vision is a precious resource from which we all are benefiting.

I trust, Beloved, that your heart too will be moved.

In His Light,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Swami devaraj". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned centrally on the page.

Swami devaraj
aka Marc De Doming