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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This letter addresses the application of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh for residence status in the United States. I support his application. Though not at all a follower of his, I have known of his work for several years and know him to be a person of truly exceptional ability in the study and interpretation of philosophy and religion, and in the application of principles of behavioral science to problems of individual adjustment, creativity, and social organization.

I hold the Ph.D. degree in Political Science from Yale University and have taught at University of Wisconsin, Michigan State University, University of California at Berkeley and at Davis, and now at San Francisco State University. Among other subjects, I have taught public administration and organizational behavior and theory. A prominent theme in the literature of these fields is the possibility of self-realization in everyday life and work, and the opportunities and problems this creates for the individual and for his or her coworkers and employers or superiors. A significant part of Bhagwan's work relates directly to self-realization, its achievement, and its effect on others. I view him as an important voice in this area; he is really internationally known for his work.

It would be extraordinarily unfortunate and inappropriate if he were not allowed to remain in this country.

Sincerely,

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