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To Whom it May Concern:

I am a Board Certified Psychiatrist, a graduate of Harvard Medical School (1967), and a Clinical Associate Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Community and Family Medicine at the Georgetown University Medical School in Washington D.C.

During the last ten years, I have been particularly interested in the healing and health care systems of other cultures and their possible integration with our western medical and psychotherapeutic practices. In connection with the interest and as part of my work with the National Institute of Mental Health (when I was a research psychiatrist from 1971 to 1982) I visited India in 1979. During that time I had the occasion to spend three weeks at the Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh Ashram in Poona studying and participating in the synthesis of traditional meditative and modern psychotherapeutic techniques which he and his disciples have developed.

I was extremely impressed with Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's work, and with the high quality of the groups in which I participated. Since that time I have adapted a number of techniques he developed to my own psychiatric and medical practice, and have found them to be extremely helpful.

I have also continued to listen to his lectures and to read his books on the world's religious and meditative traditions and to gain important insights into the psychological dilemmas that I and my patients face.

In conclusion, I regard Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh not only as an important and influential religious leader, but as an extraordinarily gifted psychologist and a rich source of therapeutic concepts and interventions. I believe that his continued presence in the United States will be of great help and indeed importance to others who wish to learn and apply the wisdom of other healing traditions.

Sincerely yours,


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