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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been asked to write a letter in behalf of Mr. Shree Rajneesh, supporting his request to be granted permission for permanent residence in this country.

I am a retired university professor of anthropology and linguistics (Denison University). My specialty is psychological anthropology and comparative religion. My publications include *Speaking in Tongues: A Cross-Cultural Study of Glossolalia* University of Chicago Press, 1972 ; *Trance Healing and Hallucination: Three Field Studies in Religious Experience* with Henney and Pressel, Wiley Interscience, 197 ; and *The Exorcism of Anneliese Michel* (Doubleday, 1981), in addition to many articles about my research into the religious altered states of consciousness in various scientific journals here and abroad.

I have known of the work of Mr. Shree Rajneesh for some time, although I am not one of his adherents. In his writings, he has created a successful synthesis between the Eastern meditative approach and Western psychological techniques. How successful this attempt has been has become clear to me in conversations with a number of his disciples. The fact that the community in Oregon is a well functioning organization is testimony to his executive ability. Principally, it seems to me, it is important in our pluralistic society that we lend our support to anything that contributes to the spiritual health of a group of people, be that small or large. Mr. Shree Rajneesh's contribution cannot be overlooked and promises to be even more important in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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Director