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To Whom It May Concern,

I have known about Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh for over 5½ years. I have visited him during my Asian vacation at his Poona ashram, experienced his unique meditations and read many of his books.

I hold a Master's degree in Public Affairs from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs from Princeton University and graduated Phi Beta Kappa, with honors in economics major, from the University of Wisconsin. My professional career includes having been a management analyst for the U.S. General Accounting Office and an assistant Professor of Economics at Armstrong College in Berkeley, California.

Bhagwan's discourses have influenced me both personally and professionally. His insights into our basic human condition are profound and distinctive. As an economics professor, teaching economic development, I introduced my students to Bhagwan's taped discourses on the reasons and possible solutions for poverty in the Third World, particularly India. His book "Beware of Socialism" I used for required reading for classes in comparative economic systems.

Bhagwan Rajneesh is a modern day Rennaissance man, sharing his wisdom and understanding on issues that span the whole spectrum of our daily life. He is a man to be admired, appreciated and welcomed.

Respectfully yours,

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