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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The books of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh have been a profound source of wisdom and inspiration in my life as well as many others. My former business, "Books of India," imported and sold them by mail order all over the United States and they were our most popular sellers. His writing is timely, lucid, scholarly as well as profound. I regard his as one of the most important voices of the 20th century -- an exceptional man of letters both in productivity and vision.

Internationally recognized and acclaimed, I predict that the books of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh will attract a growing following in this country in the years to come. As an artist with words, his contributions to the arts are not to be overlooked.

We are indeed fortunate that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has graced this country with his presence. Like his fellow expatriates in the field of the arts he has found a haven here, both to his benefit and ours.

Sincerely,

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