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To whom it may concern,

I understand that the visa granted to Bhaghwan Shree Rajneesh by the American immigration office is due to expire during the course of this year. I also understathat during this year only, preference for the renewal of visas is to be given to visitors from the Asian continent under the present quota system. If this is the case then I think it would be a pity if Bhaghwan Shree Rajneesh were not allowed to remain at RajneeshCity.

I believe that this man represents one of the greatest hopes for peace in our time and amongst future generations of the free world. Whether he is regarded as a religious leader or a philosopher he has created an international following of young people and old who are happy contented and committed to a totally peaceful way of life. His message cuts across all barriers of age, race and politics If for no other reason his continued presence in Oregon can only continue to promote international peace, goodwill and understanding and must in the long term contribute immeasurably to the traditions of which America has been justly proud throughout the ages.

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