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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm a resident of California, born in this state, and have been an actress and writer for twenty-eight years. I'm a registered Democrat, a regular voter in every election and I care deeply about the freedoms our country has fought so hard to create. One of these freedoms is the right to worship in any way you choose, so long as that way is not harmful to others.

I've never met Bhagwan or followed his teachings, but several of my friends have done so. I know him to be a commited, responsible and very gifted spiritual leader who should be allowed to teach and spread his influence unharrassed. The move to deport him is shocking, an outrage that I protest. Please rescind all intentions to suppress religious freedom.

Sincerely,