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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Before coming in contact with Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, I was a tenured college professor at Montclair State College, Montclair, NJ in the Department of Fine Arts. I received my advanced degree, Master of Arts at Columbia University, N.Y. City, in 1963. My major field was dance with minor studies on psychology and humanities. I spent five years travelling in Europe and the Far East studying the dance style of the people, with special interest in how the psychology and religion were connected to the art of the dance in various cultures.

Strangely enough, this search led me to discover Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, who is so astounding on his grasp of human nature and the religious experience. All my studies in dance had led me to discover that in all cultures dance was the first expression of man's religious experience. Every religion including Christianity had found dance as its earliest expression. And now I found a modern living religious teacher who understood, who had indeed experienced the same religious experience as all the mystics, and who was leading his disciples into active dancing meditations in which they too could begin to experience the religious.

His books, His tapes, His meditations, His teachings are a tribute to world understanding. He will go down in history as an exceptional, extraordinary man, a religious giant. America can only gain from His continued presence in this country.

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