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To Whom It May Concern:

this letter concerns me, my life up to now, my future, the lives of many thousands of lovers of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh; and it also concerns you and the general well-being of the whole world at this time in our lives and in the future.

I studied psychology and I have been married to a humanistic psychologist for 23 years, and we have been very involved in growth groups and the human potential movement since 1960.

From 1963 to 1971, I held secretarial and administrative positions in two university psychology departments.

I assisted in several behavioral study projects and was able to witness the competitive atmosphere which exists among qualified professors who are supposedly teaching students how to help others make it through their lives. While at the same time these professionals are fighting against each other, disagreeing in theory and practice, and expressing possessive feelings about "their work", "their" views, and "their own" conclusions. All this was being absorbed by the students who, in turn, competed with each other and strived to be "the best" student instead of being the most loving human being.

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This lack of love and awareness among educators was very disillusioning to me and to my husband also. We began to look in other directions for a more humanistic approach to living in this world. This search led us to Dynamic Meditation and Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh.

Now I am a member of the Rajneesh Commune in Rajneeshpuram, Oregon. We are building a magnificent city here based on Bhagwan's teachings of meditation through work and love, harmony, joy and celebration.

Because of the presence of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, a totally different atmosphere is manifesting here. Unlike the competitive world of university students and professors, here we all live and work in an attitude of sharing and caring and accepting each other from a loving and honest foundation.

I have been working in the Chiyono Beauty Salon here in Rajneeshpuram. Recently we were hosts to at least 80 people per day passing through the salon during our Second Annual World Celebration. Bhagwan's approach to beauty has a tremendous influence on how we greet people.

He says, you are not to become beautiful, you already are beautiful. And our welcome to everyone is in terms of; let us help you discover how beautiful you are.

So that immediately upon walking through the door, people felt loved and cared for and instantly, their inner beauty began to shine through their eyes. This is something that is not experienced so deeply, so quickly, anywhere else. But, this is what it is like living in the presence of Bhagwan, and seeing him everyday passing by.

I feel so loved and accepted and beautiful and this feeling is felt by everyone here, and because of this harmony and non-competitiveness, an enormous amount of work is happening here in terms of farming, building and business enterprises. And basically, what is really happening here has to do with a totally new quality of being a human being. And it all happens through Bhagwan's living example of loving acceptance. Sitting in his silent presence for seven mornings during our annual celebration is a reminder for each of us as to how to feel peaceful and joyful and filled with love. Breathing together in silence with thousands of others is not the same as, for instance, watching a baseball game in a huge stadium. One is a feeling of isolation and competitiveness, jealousy and possessiveness. And the other is the most basic, harmonious feeling of being connected with all people around you, with all of nature and with the whole universe.

The work that is happening here in Oregon is an example of the "miracles" that happen in relation to being with a living master.

Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is a master of life, and his influence affects all of us here, and people all over the world.

With love,

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