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## To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to express my concern that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh may not qualify as a spiritual teacher because he is in silence. I have read his books and listened to his tapes for five years and for the last few months have been doing one of his meditation techniques daily. I feel I have gained much spiritual insight as a result. Although I have never met or spoken to him personally, I have asked to take sannyas or become a disciple, because his teachings and especially the meditations have had a profound effect on my life.

I am the mother of two young boys and I know that the inner peace and calmness I feel after meditation assists me in being a more loving and responsible parent. America was founded on the belief in freedom in religious practices; it would be very hypocritical and even unamerican to deny a religious man such as Bhagwan the right to remain in his religious community in Rajneeshpuram, Oregon.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Urquhart-Brown