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To: World Interfaith Harmony Organization

Re: Recognition for Charles Chesnavage

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of recognition for Charles Chesnavage for his leadership in promoting interreligious dialogue. I have know Charles for several years during which time he was a doctoral student in several of my courses.

As his academic record indicates, his educational background is extensive. In his doctoral work he has researched interreligious education and prayer, and he has make scholarly presentations on the topics in course work and papers. He will further pursue this interest in his Ph.D. dissertation.

Charles also has wide experience in promoting interreligious dialogue and prayer in the broader community. For example, he has given 9 years of service coordinating World Interfaith Harmony Week celebrations in Yonkers, New York. The success of these events are tributes to his organizational skills and personal commitment to the importance of interfaith projects. His endeavors are truly admirable.

In sum, local communities need persons like Charles whose dedication and commitment encourage many to join in harmonious discussion and prayer to advance peace in the world. He is a model worthy of emulation.

Sincerely yours,

" Gloria Durka, Ph.D.

Professor