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Dear Members of the World Interfaith Harmony Committee,

I wish to submit this letter in recommendation of Mr. Charles (Chuck) Chesnavage. I have known Mr. Chesnavage for the last four years as we are members of the Religious Education Association. More specifically, we worked together to conduct an interfaith prayer program. It was during this collaboration that I learned about his dedication and commitment to interfaith dialogue and harmony. He developed and conducted the Annual Inter-religious Prayer for Peace and Justice program and was able to maintain it continually over the past several years.

In addition, he has consistently presented well-thought out papers outlining the value and efficacy of interfaith religious education and activities for the academic association of which we are members. He has consistently sought to teach about the value of inter-religious dialogue, harmony and understanding as well as to share these concepts whenever he could. He is also someone who has taken great pains to model and practice all that he teaches. His commitment to interfaith work is exemplary and worthy of acclamation and notice.

Working at a Seminary dedicated to interfaith studies, it is easy to recognize the signs of an effective and dedicated worker when it comes to inter-religious harmony. What I have noticed, in particular, is his efforts to make these ideals a reality on the local level, so that everyday people can see what they can do to make a difference each and every day.

For this reason, I encourage the World Interfaith Committee to recognize his valuable work and efforts for interfaith harmony.

Should you require any further information, please feel free to contact me at the above address.

Sincerely,

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