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Harivilasa dasa (Harry Terhanion), GBC
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Dear Mr. Terhanion:

I am writing to you regarding Dr. Prayag Narayan Misra, whom I have known for seven years. In my capacity as the Diversity Manager for the City of Chandler, I have had the pleasure of working with Dr. Misra on coordinating the attendance of our City officials at many of the events held at the BhaktiVedanta Cultural Center. Dr. Misra has always been a very gracious host and takes the time to explain all aspects of the events we attend. We have always felt very welcome and have been honored to attend the Center's events.

In addition, Dr. Misra has been present at many of the City's cultural events including our annual Multicultural Festival, where he presented our Mayor with a garland of flowers following a Naturalization Ceremony. Dr. Misra has taken photos at all of the events he attends and is always happy to share them with us. He has never asked for compensation for the photos, blessed food, blessed garlands, or spiritual books, nor has he solicited funding from the City or our officials at any of the events. Rather, Dr. Misra expresses his gratitude for being included in our celebrations and for our relationship with him.

I also serve on the Chandler Chamber of Commerce Diversity Committee. Here too, I have found Dr. Misra to be gracious in his sharing of knowledge and his presentation of the Hare Krishna faith. I look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Misra on this committee and at future events.

Sincerely,

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