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Beloved Keith,

Love.

As you know, last night at the Antelope City Council meeting Loren Reynolds, representing the American Legion in Antelope, requested and received from the City Council permission to hold a party beginning at 6.00 pm with no specified end time. Mr. Reynolds said that 500 people would attend the party, and the Council granted permission for this.

We would like to express our opposition to this party, given Mr. Raynolds' avowed desire to "waste us, shoot us out and burn us out," which he has expressed on numerous occasions over the last six to eight months, as well as his overt and obvious hostility to Rajnesshees in general. We feel that a gathering organized under his direction will almost certainly result in violence.

Secondly, Mr. Reynolds proposes to have 500 participants in the gathering, which is advertised as a "Save Antelope" gathering, presumebly to save it from the Rajneeshees. It is therefore also a certainty that many people who are hostile to the Rajneeshee community will be travelling from miles around to this small city, where 54 Rajneeshees live. At this party they will be drinking alcoholic beverages.

As you know, the situation in Antelope is in a very delicate stage, and any small thing could set off a series of unfortunate circumstances. In addition, the federal mediation efforts presently under way represent the start of a new

attempt to find harmony between the older residents of Antelope and the Rajneeshees. This fragile shoot could easily be crushed should there be any unpleasant incidents arising from the proposed gathering, and we feel that both sides would regret this.

We certainly have no wish that there should be any violent or ugly incidents, and are sure that both you and the City Council share this feeling. We therefore urge you, as City Attorney, to reconsider the impact that this party will have, its potential to create violence and its potential to create the mediation efforts. We ask you to prevent this party from happening, in the same spirit of co-operation in which we pledged to buy no further property in Antelope.

We look forward to your early reply.

His blessings,

Swami Krishma Deva aka David Knapp Marpa Planning Department

cc: Mayor Margaret Hill

Mr. Don Smith

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Mr. Bob Brown, Sheriff, Wasco County

Mr. John Mathis