## The Oregon Center for Spirituality & Health

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Governor Victor Atiyah 519 SW Park Ave. Portland, OR 97205

Dear Governor Atiyah,

The Oregon Center for Spirituality & Health was established in 2002 for the purpose of enabling a broader understanding of the relationship between spirituality and personal health, both physical and mental. To achieve this goal, the center sponsors conferences and lectures and workshops and facilitates research and publication of original articles and books.

Our various activities are enriched through collaboration and joint sponsorship with various academic, medical and other related institutions. With the principal focus on the essence of spirituality this is a non denominational effort involving representation from all faiths as well as spiritual non affiliates.

The Center has already conducted two highly successful conferences at Portland State University, the first addressed Spirituality, Medicine & Healing and the second discussed the topic of Spirituality & Food. Both events were attended by capacity, enthusiastic audience representing a wide range of affiliated professional fields.

We are a non-profit corporation registered in the State of Oregon. We are now engaged in forming a Board of Advisors and are inviting you to join that Board. We recognize that you are burdened to the limit with the weight of your responsibilities, so we wish to assure you that membership on this board will only involve your endorsement of the importance of our undertaking and your willingness to lend us your sage counsel. It will not involve attendance at any regular meeting time.

We very much want to be able to list your name as a supporter of this concept. Please inform us of your readiness to do so by one of the usual means of communication at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours.

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Dr. Donald Girard Rabbi Joshua Stampfer Dr. Khalil Zonoozy April 30, 2004

Dear Friends,

Your letter asking me to become a member of the Board of Advisors of the Oregon Center for Spirituality and Health came at a time when I have been subtracting not adding to my civic involvement. However, as I read the material you sent I found the message most impressive.

Relying heavily on the last two sentences of the fourth paragraph----and my belief that the foundation and purpose of the Center is essential in our society---I am persuaded to join your effort.

I thank you for the opportunity and hope that in some way I may be of a little help in the future.

Sincerety,

Victor Atiyeh