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World Food Prize

To Whom It May Concern:

As Chairman of Points of Light, the largest organization focused on volunteerism and service in the USA, it is my great honor to second the nomination of Gary Oppenheimer and AmpleHarvest.org for the prestigious World Food Prize.

Our organization gives a Daily Point of Light Award to ordinary citizens who do extraordinary things. We bestowed this recognition to Gary and AmpleHarvest.org for the amazing work the organization does in supplying nutritious food by unleashing the opportunity for 42 million growers across the country to be points of light in their communities, growing and supplying excess food to those in need.

As the son of one President and brother to another and as Chair of Points of Light I am aware of challenges related to hunger and malnutrition including the impact on national security, after all 75% of kids applying to join the military are rejected because they are not fit to serve.

The old hunger solutions in America have called for ever increasing tax dollars, yet hunger and malnutrition are on the rise. Indeed the government points to the ever increasing amount of food distributed as a measure of success. Gary’s solution makes use of existing healthy food that is donated. The result is an increasing amount of healthier food without an increased tax burden. As Gary’s movement grows, more people will consume healthier food, enjoying all the benefits including lower health care costs and better quality of life.

Gary has a big idea and an even bigger heart. Winning the World Food Prize will not only give Gary needed funds but also increased recognition that will fuel the spread of his network and influence.

Please feel free to contact me directly on my cell 832 423 8474 or via email at nmbush@gmail.com with any questions you might have.

Thanks for what you do in promoting service.

Best wishes always,

[Signature]

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