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The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to respectfully urge you to consider including Charlie Kirk among the figures honored in the National Garden of American Heroes. The National Garden serves not only to recognize the individuals who have influenced our nation's path, but also to affirm the principles and achievements we aim to safeguard for future generations.

Charlie Kirk was a devoted Christian, who boldly lived out his faith with conviction, courage, and compassion. He was a devoted husband to his beloved wife, Erika, and a loving father to their daughter and son—embodying the enduring virtues of faith, fidelity, and fatherhood. Charlie Kirk promoted and encouraged respectful, civil discourse across college campuses, media platforms, and national forums, encouraging others to engage thoughtfully even in moments of sharp disagreement.

Above all, Charlie Kirk was a true patriot who believed wholeheartedly in the promise of the American Dream. His unwavering conviction and gift for cutting through the noise drew people toward what we are all ultimately searching for—the truth. He was never afraid to defend his values, speak out for the voiceless, and do what was right, even when it was unpopular.

The inclusion of Charlie Kirk in the National Garden would honor his life, leadership, and enduring legacy—defined by his steadfast commitment to the Constitution, civil discourse, and Biblical truth. Honoring Charlie Kirk in the National Garden would serve as a reminder that the strength of our Republic depends on citizens and leaders alike who engage thoughtfully, speak respectfully, and uphold the principles of our nation: life, liberty, limited government, and individual responsibility.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Earl L. "Buddy" Carter
Member of Congress