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Dear President Obama:

I am writing to ask you to award posthumously the Presidential Medal of Freedom to the legendary organizer, Fred Ross, Sr. For nearly a half a century, Fred educated, agitated and inspired people of all races and backgrounds to overcome fear, despair and cynicism. He was a pioneer who fought for racial and economic justice. Fred had a deep and varied career as an organizer. I knew him for his work organizing farm workers during the 1960's and 70's. He recruited Cesar Chavez and Delores Huerta to the movement and trained thousands of boycott and strike organizers, which led to the organizing of farm workers throughout California.

In recognition of this unsung hero I urge you to confer the Presidential Medal of Freedom posthumously upon Fred Ross

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