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President Barack Obama,  
c/o Julie Chavez Rodriguez, Associate Director of Latino Affairs and Immigration for the Office of  
Public Engagement

I am writing urging you to bestow the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Fred Ross Sr. to recognize him for his efforts fighting for racial and economic justice. I met Fred at the Farmworkers headquarters in Keene, Ca. in the 70's, very late in his career, and got a chance to see him inspire other volunteers in the fight to unionize Farmworkers. He truly was a leader that not only worked diligently for justice for all, but also inspired many others, including myself, to join the efforts to bring about justice for all.

Sincerely,  
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