Dear Ms. Rodriquez,

I cannot think of a more fitting person to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom than Fred Ross, Sr. He stands alone as the person I admire most for standing up for the needs of the poor and disenfranchised. He gave so much for our country, while never seeking any fanfare for himself while he was alive. Always wanting change for the voiceless. I was connected with one of his movements for two short years, the United Farm Workers Union. By the time I got to that movement, he was no longer with us, but he left in wake a non-violent movement that helped, over the years, countless numbers of poor people. Please do all in your power to help him to receive this award. It means not only a lot for those who knew him and knew of him, but it would bring back his spirit in this way that is good for the soul of America.

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