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President Donald Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

I am writing in support of Edie Darling's nomination for United States International Ambassador at Large - Ambassador of Peace. I have known Edie Darling personally for eight years in her capacity of a law enforcement officer, community leader, activist, Senior Chaplain in the Department of Detention and Corrections and pastor. She has helped bring communities together beyond the bounds of culture, faith and backgrounds.

Edie Darling is a strong advocate of peace and has championed the principles of charity and forgiveness throughout her career, serving as a Senior Chaplain for the Pinellas County Department of Detention and Corrections. For her tireless service and tremendous impact on our community she was awarded the Key to the City of St. Petersburg and the TORCH Community Service Award, as well as being named one of the "First Ladies of African American History" by the Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American History Museum.

I have found her to be an enthusiastic proponent of universal peace and good Will and a strong supporter of the power of the human spirit. Commitment, confidence and integrity are synonymous with her character. Edie Darling deeply cares for this country and people. She has the drive, and positive and inspirational personality that would absolutely be an asset to America's foreign policy team and is capable of assisting our Nations mission of achieving peace domestically and abroad.

Please receive my confirming support of Edie Darling's appointment to the position of United States International Ambassador at Large - Ambassador of Peace.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kenneth T. Welch".

KENNETH T. WELCH
Pinellas Board of County Commissioners

