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Mr. Jeffrey Weinberger  
Organizer  
Florida Homelessness Action Coalition (FLHAC)  
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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

Dear Jeff:

This letter is sent to inform you that Great Harvest International, Inc. endorses the Homeless Bill of Rights campaign and the proposed Bill of Rights for Florida Citizens Experiencing Homelessness.

We are joining with citizens across the State of Florida and the United States to call for an end to the criminalization of homelessness. Anyone can experience this temporary condition at any time as a result of a number of circumstances over which most people will not have any control. However, that which is criminal is the existence of homelessness, which for almost 40 years has been allowed to persist largely due to: the deinstitutionalization of mental health patients; the gentrification of low-income downtown neighborhoods and the dislocation of their long-term homeowners and renters; the inadequate supply of low-income housing units; and the lack of proper care and support for military veterans returning from active duty.

No person should suffer unnecessarily from the elements (cold, heat, rain, etc.), be deprived of food or shelter (or the basic rights incident to both), or be subject to unfair discrimination based on his or her housing status. Thus, we support the campaign's efforts convince the State to ameliorate the adverse effects visited upon families and individuals and our communities when the State's residents lack permanent housing, and create a society where all people, regardless of their housing status, are valued and treated with dignity and respect, and their human, legal and civil rights are protected.

You have our permission to use our corporate name and logo in all publications connected with this campaign. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We look forward to advocating with you for the restoration of dignity and extension of care to those in need. God bless!

Peace and Blessings,

George W. Bolden, Jr.  
Founder and President