**An Ally's Promise**

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**I Believe**

I believe success is the freedom to be yourself.

I believe nobody is wrong; they are only different.

I believe your circumstances don't define you, rather they reveal you.

I believe without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community.

I believe our minds are like parachutes; they only work if they are open.

I believe we only live once, but if we live it right, one time is all well need.

I believe we must first get along with ourselves before we can get along with others.

**I Will**

I will seek to understand you.

I will label bottles not people.

I will grow antennas not horns.

I will see the diversity of our commonality.

I will see the commonality of our diversity.

I will get to know who you are rather than what you are.

I will transcend political correctness and strive for human righteousness.

**I Challenge You**

I challenge you to honor who you are.

I challenge you to enjoy your life rather than endure it.

I challenge you to create the status quo rather than merely accept it.

I challenge you to live in your imagination more than your memory.

I challenge you to live your life as a revolution and not just a process of evolution.

I challenge you to ignore other peoples ignorance so that you may discover your own wisdom.

**I Promise You**

I promise to do my part.

I promise to stand beside you.

I promise to interrupt the world when its thinking becomes ignorant.

I promise to believe in you, even when you have lost faith in yourself.

**I Am Here For You.**