Dear Mr. Obama,

Yes, you can! Please come to Gunsbach, France on May 14th, 2022 for the reopening of the Albert Schweitzer Museum.

Albert Schweitzer, as you most certainly know, was a doctor that built a hospital in Lambaréné, Gabon and devoted his life to help the most disadvantaged in Africa. But what you may not know is that Albert Schweitzer was born in 1875 in Alsace, France, where we, the students of Lycée Frederic Kirschleger, learn about his achievements: the same actions that brought him to win a Nobel peace prize in 1952, just like you in 2009, where you, Mr. Obama, honored him during your lecture : “Compared to some of the giants of history who've received this prize – Schweitzer and King; Marshall and Mandela”.

The Albert Schweitzer’s Museum, located in Gunsbach, Alsace, where he spent most of his life, is dedicated to Albert Schweitzer’s work in the field of medicine since 1913.

You and Albert Schweitzer certainly have a lot in common : first of all, what you fought for during your presidency, and what he fought for during his whole life – accessible healthcare for everyone – regardless of their ethnicity, religion, or income. What you, Mr. Obama, did with the renewal of the American healthcare system, helped many American citizens that couldn’t afford medical care and had no other choice than to wait for death to knock upon their door, and is very similar to the mission Albert Schweitzer undertook in Lambaréné, which allowed many citizens to receive medical care worthy of this name. Mr. Obama, you certainly share many core values with him: Schweitzer lived his whole life upon one very important value – the respect for life. He was known for his simplicity, his great respect, or his faith in humanity. Not only this, but Albert Schweitzer also fought against the nuclear tests alongside other giants like Albert Einstein and tried to create a better world, without the danger that nuclear power presents today. Finally, he wrote an essay about “Die Ehrfurcht vor dem Leben”, which can be translated as “The reverence for life” : he had a deep admiration for life, and thought that nature was above us, that it’s power goes beyond everything we will ever achieve. We think that in the world we are living, it is very important to promote this point of view as we need to respect nature or else it may be our downfall.

That’s why we, the students of Lycée Frederic Kirschleger, have a dream – to reunite two Nobel Peace prize in the same place. Mr. Obama, please come on May 14th, 2022 to Gunsbach to reopen the museum that honors the hero that Albert Schweitzer has been, is and will continue to be.

Most respectfully,

The students of Lycée Frederic Kirschleger