

Honoring You

By Theodore Roszak

*“You and I, we meet as strangers,
each carrying a mystery within us.*

*I may never know who you are,
I may never know you completely.*

*But I trust that you are a person in your own right.
Possessed of a beauty and value that are earth’s richest
treasures.*

So, I make this promise to you.

*I will impose no identities upon you
but will invite you to become yourself without shame or fear.*

*I will hold open a space for you in the world
and defend your right to fill it with an authentic vocation.*

For as long as your search takes, you have my loyalty.”