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Dear President Áder

## Request for Clemency for Ágnes Geréb

We are a UK based maternity rights charity, writing to you to respectfully request that you provide clemency for Agnes.

Reasons to consider for granting clemency

Ágnes has already served many years under house arrest, and therefore has effectively served her sentence. This is due to the lengthy legal proceedings that started in 2010.

These court actions have placed restrictions on Ágnes from being free to travel, work or live her life with respect to private and family life. This is the very value she sought to uphold.

By providing care to families for out of hospital births Ágnes was meeting the international law requirements of Article 8 and the judgement by the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg (Ternovsky v Hungary 2012).

This has impacted negatively on her health and wellbeing.

It has caused financial hardship throughout the proceedings which have prohibited Ágnes from working as a midwife.

Her family and friends have suffered distress during this lengthy process and now with the jail sentence.

Ágnes provides help to her large family caring for her grandchildren and others.

Ágnes provides dedicated care for her aged and unwell mother at home.

The local, national and international community benefit from Ágnes who gives her support for the benefit of others.

They will lose this valuable loving support if she goes to jail.

Ágnes has demonstrated her insight from the proceedings, learning and reflecting greatly on the findings by the court.

We urge you to use your Presidential powers for the benefit of Agnes and the global community, and to please provide clemency for Ágnes Geréb.

Yours sincerely,

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