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## Dear Mr President:

I am concerned by ham fisted threats. Your administration has developed a habit of very public threats to cities, states, legislators and people in the administration itself. These include a brief ad campaign against a fellow Republican along with threats of similar attacks on others, DOJ moves against sanctuary cities, Interior threats to Alaska and remarkably public feuds between members of your administration (yourself included). It is hard to imagine how such public attacks could be effective. They do make your administration appear dangerously unpredictable. This weakens our country by forcing people to focus on insulating themselves from your actions rather than finding ways to work together nationally.

Please assure me that you will take a less confrontational approach to government.

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our balanced federal system.

Sincerely, Eric Babson