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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about democracy. Since World War II the US has backed and fostered democracies through a mix of example and encouragement. You are now providing this support to autocrats. Your party provided examples of stolen judicial positions, hidden legislation rushed through Congress, gerrymandered votes and foreign meddling in our election. You have encouraged a number of autocratic leaders: Duterte in the Philippines, Kim in North Korea, Salman in Saudi Arabia, Erdogan in Turkey, el-Sisi in Egypt, Bolsonaro in Brazil and of course Putin in Russia. This week you even welcomed Orban of Hungary to the White House. I worry that our democracy is being damaged and the worlds democratic order being destroyed.

Please assure me that you will support democracy.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our democratic ideals.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson