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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about hunger. Ever since the popular populist President Kennedy authorized a pilot Americans have had food stamps to fall back on. I benefited from this program while my mother got certified to teach as does one American child in six today. Secretary Perdue's new rule to force states to require work registration can only be viciousness or stupidity. This added bureaucracy undercuts the intent of both federal (see your letter from the Senate) and state lawmakers and will deny nearly a million people of food benefits while killing hundreds of thousands of jobs and increasing the chance of recession. Food stamps have proven amazingly effective in cutting poverty, improving health, increasing GDP (six times the effect of corporate tax cuts), reducing crime and minimizing cyclic downturns.

Please assure me that you will fire Secretary Perdue and end SNAP work requirements.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson