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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about vaccination.

Last week your political appointees overruled FDA scientists in placing restrictions on the approval of Novavax's COVID vaccine. Today access to COVID vaccines was further reduced with the release of a new FDA framework involving a vague 'higher-risk' criterion in place of blanket approval. Secretary Kennedy meanwhile has continued his flopping around about measles vaccinations in the face of the growing outbreak. Yesterday vaccines were 'the best way' to prevent the spread while last week he refused to answer questions and advised against takeing 'medical advice from me'. His spotty record includes promoteing an array of false vaccine claims both in general and around measles specifically. At the same time many grants testing and developing vaccines have been suspended. The chance that you will preside over another major outbreak is growing.

Please assure me that you will oppose disease.

My pride in the US derives in part from our medical excellence.

Sincerely,

Eric Babson