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Dear Mr President:

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I am concerned about spending priorities.

The budget bill wending its way through House committees is a dangerous blueprint for increased national misery. Medicaid now covers more than a third of American children and ninety percent of low income people while SNAP (a program that benefitted me as a child) provides food security for one person in ten - particularly children and elders. The House plan cuts well over ten percent from these programs. The result will be more children without the security to focus on school and break out of their parent's poverty. House priorities instead are for causing rather than mitigating injury with even more emphasis on arbitrary arrests. You campaigned promising not to reduce safety net programs.

Please assure me that you will block Medicaid cuts.

My pride in the US derives in part from our social safety net.

Sincerely, Eric Babson