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Dear Mr President:

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I am concerned about performative cruelty.

The recently opened concentration camp in Florida is another horrific example of vicarious sadism directed toward Hispanics. Both your team and that of Governor DeSantis have been quick to use the newly thrown together Krome center in Miami for advertising videos reveling in the overcrowding, overheating and shortages of food, sanitation and medical care. Both the Florida and the US governments are gaming the courts by denying responsibility much like the game played with the lives of those sent to El Salvador's notorious prison and as in that case not even a list of those held much less any charges or evidence of wrongdoing has been released. Those who are known to be there appear randomly chosen. This complete disregard for human rights and human dignity is a frightening step toward genocide.

Please assure me that you will end civil detention. My pride in the US derives in part from our legal protections.

Sincerely, Eric Babson