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Dear Mr President:

I am very concerned by the shift to deport more people. The deportation system has been problematic for many years but the recent trends are for the worse. Lawyers are reporting that the government is increasingly seeking deportation and higher bonds with little consideration of the merits of the case. This together with the fear being spread by ICE agents staking out courts and seeking expedited deportations is discouraging people from appearing in court. The result is a much more viciously arbitrary system tearing apart families and damaging social and economic networks in many of our communities.

Please assure me that you will shift immigration enforcement to a focus on safety.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our strong immigrant history.

Sincerely, Eric Babson