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Dear Mr President:

I am very concerned by racism. Our society has worked hard to move away from our history of extreme racism, against American Indians, blacks, Chinese and most recently Hispanics. The effects of racist attitudes and policies, while particularly damaging to the groups they are aimed at, also hurt all other aspects of society. It leaves people either over or under qualified for their work. It creates fears and barriers between strangers of different races, leaving everyone less safe. This has been particularly eloquently explained by Baldwin in the 1950s and Toqueville in the 1830s. Your frequent appeals to racism are emboldening other racists and will take decades to reverse. Just this week, you again questioned Obama's legitimacy, backed British Islamist-baiting and increased hardships for recent immigrants. The divisions you are creating in my society are extremely immoral and are weakening the country.

*Please assure me that you will stop racist tweeting.*

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our egalitarian society.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson