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Dear Mr President:

I am curious about walls. National boundaries are fairly arbitrary and are demarcated in a variety of ways from survey markers to signage to imposing walls. The great wall system in China and the erstwhile wall around Berlin are among the most famous and are both tourist attractions. Your hateful attacks on immigrants and fondness for walls at first seemed related. I see now that you would be happy to shift resources being used to make crossing the US border difficult to building a wall. An open border with a symbolic wall (maybe incorporating peace arches similar to the one on the Canadian border) seems the ideal bipartisan solution. It would improve the economy along the border by attracting tourism and immigration and memorialize the folly of trying to stop human migration.

Please assure me that you will build walls as symbols not barriers.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson