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## Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about hunger. Your emphasis on work requirements is making the problem worse. Food insecurity is a problem for tens of millions of people in the US including one child in five and would be much worse without SNAP (once the food stamps program). Food Stamps helped me as a child allowing me to focus on my education and eventually contribute to society rather than where my next meal would come from. We have just come out of a decade of recession and SNAP saved many from hunger and allowed the country to bounce back more easily. SNAP needs to be streamlined as the bureaucracy is estimated to be keeping 14 million eligible people from getting benefits. Additional documentation requirements for work would pull this important safety net away from many people and weaken our country.

Please assure me that you will simplify SNAP.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson