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Dear Senator Skinner:

I am very concerned for immigrants. Thank you for your support yesterday at the rally in Berkeley. US immigration policy has been cruel and counterproductive for many years, building a second class of residents with less access to the social contract. The federal government with the plenary powers of the executive and little push back from the rest has been pushing the envelope in their ever more vicious policies from the ban through the shift to arbitrary ICE arrests and the attacks on DACA to the most recent and most horrible: systematic separation of families. While the third Reich has been in the back of my mind since the election this is the first time that I have truly felt that the government's victims have been so dehumanized that anything is possible. California has declared itself a sanctuary state but we must continue to obstruct these immoral policies at every possible turn.

Please assure me that you will defend immigrants at all costs.

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

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson