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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about immigrant youth. A society in judged by its treatment of the most vulnerable. The mistreatment of unaccompanied child immigrants by You, Attorney General Sessions and Director Lloyd is a disgrace. There was your policy of tearing families apart. There is the ongoing failure to even track children after placement. There are the blocks to even placing children including arbitrary claims that decades old DUI incidents invalidate parental rights and Judge Sabraw's orders, threats of ICE arrests when relatives do come forward and months of cryptic and expensive paperwork. This has increased incidents of self-harm and vastly increased the number of children being held. There is the lack of standards so that some shelters have appalling conditions. There is Director Lloyd's restriction of abortion access. There is the incarceration that many face aging out of the system at 18. Your courtroom requests to keep those you snatched separated, to imprison children indefinitely and to back Director Lloyd's withholding of health care show a complete lack of compassion. Fortunately several courts have ruled against your monstrosities but these rulings are piecemeal and reactive. These children deserve administrators working to improve their lives.

Please assure me that you will support immigrant youth.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our respect for human rights.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson