Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about arbitrary confinement. Habeas corpus is essential to our justice system but today thousands being held through the immigration system are denied bail hearings. This system has been building parallel courts and police but without the constitutional safeguards which make our system work. There are cases before the ninth circuit and now the supreme court asking the unthinkable question of whether immigration status rather than criminal behavior and threat level to society is a permissible criterion for the loss of liberty. There has been so much confusion that many at the facility near me only managed to get bail hearings after an outside group realized that they were eligible and petitioned the courts. Similar questions were asked in the forties around Japanese Americans and like the Korematsu case several members of the court as well as many legislators and your Justice department are now on the wrong side of history and of morality.

Please assure me that you will order immigration courts to hold bond hearings.

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

Sincerely,

Eric Babson