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Dear Governor Newsom:

I am concerned for immigrants. Your highlighting of the responsibility California bears to improve immigration policy is very welcome. Immigration has always been important for the US while policies have been ambivalent and now defer too much to the President. Today this leaves a thin veneer of court rulings to restrain revolting administrative persecution. This week much of the team coordinating such immoral and illegal attacks as separating families, shutting out asylees and lobbing tear gas into Mexico was fired - reportedly because they were not immoral or criminal enough. Particularly ironic is the fact that much of the US (including part of California) suffers not from being full so much as empty, with birthrates below replacement, aging populations and many young people moving to the coasts immigration is their best hope. California has stepped up with sanctuary policies which attempt to help but people are still being deported, programs which rely on immigrants are faltering and communities are unraveling.

*Thank you for your efforts to welcome immigrants.*

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

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson