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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about impulsive governance. This week the decision to start a war reportedly came down not to the considered opinion of a majority of Congress as per the constitution but to your waffling judgment buffeted back and forth by unelected advisors. This week you also kicked off your campaign by announcing another act of law enforcement theater by DHS via ICE. This appears similar to such previous underplanned disasters as your Muslim ban, your family separation policy and your military border activation. There appears to be no argument for this move with former Director Kelly, former Director Nielson, Acting Director McAleenan and former Director Vitiello among many others opposed - noting that while an emergency is developing at the border with many thousands requiring immediate assistance those now being targeted are instead settled upstanding long term residents. Like your previous errors you increase the failure by rushing the policy to fit into your campaign time frame which left people stranded in airports with your ban, children nearly impossible to find with your separations and soldiers with nothing to do with your border deployment. Finally you even undermined the action by announcing it ahead of time, maybe so that Mayor Schaaf wouldn't have to this time?

Please assure me that you will govern to improve society not your ratings.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson