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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about racist scapegoating. Like you, Mr Wallace around also race and Mr Robertson around sexuality were seeking political gain by driving hatred in America. One acquaintance was threatened by a Wallace supporter with a gun in his classroom and my life as a gay man became more frightening during and after Robertson's run. It seems you view your birtherism, 'lock her up' and now 'send her home' rallies along with support for violent racists as a game. Unfortunately the damage to our society is real and lasting. As the the leader of the worlds largest economy you influence youth around the world. In normalizing such bigotry you are creating a generation in which racists are more prone to speak and act out as we are seeing in your rallies and the infamous border patrol face book group as well as the rise of hate crime both here and in Europe even as the immigration crisis appears to have crested.

*Please assure me that you will call out racism.*

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

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson