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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about white nationalists with guns. The shootings this week in Gilroy, Dayton and El Paso have yet again focused attention on US exceptionalism around mass shootings and gun deaths. This is when your job is to bring the country together as your reluctant teleprompter speech suggests that you realize. Unfortunately you and your party have taken this as another opportunity to divide. You and your party have continued to insist that the growing threat of white nationalist terrorism is nonexistent. You and your party have argued that your hateful rhetoric is absolved by the differences between this weekends two shooters. You and your party have pointed to videogames, gays and mental health ... anything except the obvious culprits while continuing to disallow any actual research by the CDC. You and your party dishonor yourselves and those who have died.

Please assure me that you will ban guns.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson