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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about drugs. Medicine has been transformed by the huge investment in producing new drugs over the past few decades with dozens of new approvals every year now. Pricing remains a mess with huge variation between countries. US prices average about twice the rest of the world while some major HIV and diabetes medications are many times that. The result is a quarter of Americans with prescriptions struggling to pay and many reduced to drug running from Mexico or Canada. You took your job promising to bring prices down but nothing has improved although obvious steps such as blocking direct advertising, federal price negotiation or government manufacturing are available. More to the point such a plan is currently being pushed by Senator Warren while another is currently in the House.

Please assure me that you will support the Lower Drug Costs Now Act.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson