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Dear Ms Lee:

I am concerned about war. This week we assassinated General Soleimani.■
I worry that we are moving closer to both political murder and war. You have bravely stood alone against ill-advised military action more than once but Congress has ceded its war powers through a mix of open ended legislation and acquiescence in past abuses. Pawning off such emotionally fraught decisions is clearly tempting for many and in the hands of a great statesman might make sense. The current president averages more than a dozen obvious lies a day, openly idolizes murderers for their murders, takes pride in being unpredictable, uninformed and bigoted and is constantly casting about for some new outrage to upstage his last. The few vetoes of this term have involved foreign policy blunders and war powers might have bipartisan appeal.

Please assure me that Congress will reassert war powers.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from the rule of law.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson