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## Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about our border closing. You have invited an epidemic, refused to act or take responsibility while frustrating state efforts and are now attacking immigrants to distract from the resulting horror. Immigrants have always been the engine of US success and are overrepresented now in essential services and the entrepreneurship a recovery will require. It is obvious that the initiative required makes immigrants more driven and younger than average as the US ages. You have broken international law by immorally barring asylees. You have spread your epidemic as per Guatemalan Foreign Minister Brolo's complaint last week by deporting people after holding them in unsafe administrative confinement (see Judge Bernal's order yesterday). You are driving economic collapse by first allowing small businesses to fail and destitution to double and now barring the help we will need from abroad.

Please assure me that you will act to make the post-covid worlds as livable as possible.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson