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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for democracy. Yesterday, on a whim, you and General Barr ordered the violent clearing of the park in front of your house. The resulting photos no doubt met your vision of grand like gold curtains in a ball room, your bridge walk with Mr Kim or an independence day backdrop of tanks. These are the actions expected from an insecure autocrat of a weak disorganized country not the leader of an open democracy. As the country you neither can nor will lead falls from its status as moral, political, economic and scientific world leader I am terrified of your further flailings trying to feel grand and keep out of prison.

Please assure me that you will retire.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson