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Dear Ms Lee:

I am concerned about police culture. The recent killing of Mr Floyd and ensuing protests have brought this again to the fore and could provide the political momentum for historic reform. President Obama has seized the moment with a list of immediate local reforms and states are making changes in training and use of force standards but much is also possible federally. The package including liability reforms, demilitarization of hardware, reigning in no-knock raids and improving oversight now in the House provides some hope as both a target to aim for and blueprint to guide states. Besides the horror of a thousand deaths in police custody every year a force without the trust of the community can never be effective.

Thank you for your work in support of the Justice in Policing Act.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from the promise of equal justice.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson