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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about disease. Your almost complete abdication to COVID-19 has left you touting only a travel restriction - now reflected to restrictions on Americans - and a plan to rapidly ramp up testing led variously by Messrs Pence, Giroir and Kushner - all of whom appear to have moved on. Meanwhile the White House reportedly has rapid testing but the rest of the country has such extreme delays that contact tracing is impossible. Coordination of testing is exactly what a federal government should be good at but instead the Shadow Task Force is looking around for profiteering possibilities while the other two leaders vacillate between claiming things are beautiful with huge numbers of tests and casting about for local Democrats to blame even as a thousand of us die each day.

Please assure me that you will prioritize effective COVID testing.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson