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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about coronavirus. Societies around the world have avoided our fate by testing and tracing as every expert suggested. Even you appointed a testing tzar, put your intrepid son in law on the case, require tests for anyone coming near you and frequently tout test numbers. Unfortunately our testing began catastrophically leaving us blind for weeks and now is so slowed by management failures that tracing is impossible. The test my partner got yesterday will take two weeks for results. Yet you have inscrutably demanded testing money be removed from the next bill. Perhaps you wish to avoid responsibility for specific policies, though this has made you responsible for the overall disaster. Perhaps you are simply mesmerized by your power to kill so many people.

Please assure me that you will support organized testing.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson