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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about public finances. Homelessness, hunger and poverty have been persistent problems and demand resources but you have cut health and food aid. State and local governments are reeling from both lower receipts and higher costs as your COVID failure destroys the economy but you oppose federal help. As inequality reaches historic highs the wealthy have seen both their taxes owed and the enforcement of even those collections cut. The highest rates of audits are in very poor counties and Prof Summers estimates that the wealthiest million families owe each of the rest of us 3000 dollars in unpaid taxes. You have set the example of lying to us about your taxes and according to the NY Times defrauding us of 70 million dollars in just one instance. Perhaps next year an example will be made of this criminality.

Please assure me that you will support government finances.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson