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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about our population count. The constitutionally prescribed decennial census is used to assess needs with detailed data allowing studies of society, maintain democracy with reapportionment and distribute resources through an array of programs. The courts have weighed in with the 1999 decision to disallow statistical sampling approaches, last year's decision barring a citizenship question and this month's decision allowing a sudden truncation of the count. Now the court will hear your move to selectively erase people based on documentation. A census of all those governed is fundamental to democracy.

 $Please\ assure\ me\ that\ you\ will\ strive\ toward\ a\ complete\ census\ regardless\ of\ race,\ means\ or\ citizenship.$

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson