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Dear Senator Harris:

I am concerned about judicial overreach. Our norm is one of deference to the supreme court to veto legislation. This is somewhat novel to the US but worked fairly well as long as appointments were bipartisan and the court took stare decisis and logical decisions seriously. Over the past decade appointments have become very partisan with the Federalist Society carrying more weight than the Bar Association and the Senate practically ignoring legislation in favor of packing the courts. Meanwhile the court has used transparently partisan reasoning in cases involving guns, voting, campaign finance and health care and several justices have questioned the role of precedent. This month Justice Alito bragged of his intention to abuse his power and trample individual liberties around sexuality and abortion and the public good around COVID while decrying science and Senator Whitehorse's suggestion to reign him in. *Please assure me that you will weaken the supreme court justices.*

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson