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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about destitution. Your refusal to confront COVID has left the nation reeling. A quarter of all deaths are now due to the epidemic. Many nearby businesses are shuttered. Hunger and homelessness are rising. Regional agencies are cutting jobs. With a vaccine approved today the timeline for defeating your pandemic is becoming clear and the approach to keeping society together through it is obvious. The EU did the obvious and extended their relief bill this week but you have instead derailed the pittance Senators were discussing distributing. Your previous insistence on not giving weekly checks to the unemployed but providing just one with your name on it to more people seemed clearly to be a campaign stunt. Your suggestion to do exactly the same thing again after the election is as baffling as it is vicious.

Please assure me that you will support a full CARES extension.

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

Sincerely,
Eric Babson