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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about legislative strategy. The Senate has finally passed another COVID relief bill half a year late and with only a third of the relief passed by the House. Rather than weigh in during congressional negotiations you are only now threatening a veto absent added funding. This will give you another opportunity to own a government shut down and may be an even more effective way to flip the Senate than railing about fraud. Perhaps a more effective way to expand aid would be to fire Secretary Mnuchin for working to reduce the Fed response and refocus your last month on another aid package.

Please assure me that you will increase COVID relief.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson