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Dear Governor Newsom:

I am concerned about morality. The new regime on Wednesday will bring a chance to cooperate again with Washington but also the temptation to ignore the past. Immoral and Illegal acts from petty grift to threatening hundreds of thousands of lives by lying about climate or disease along with locking people up indefinitely and without their children based only on their place of birth have damaged the soul of our nation. All who participated must not only be immediately stripped of power but also held both federally and locally to account. Twelve years ago those who gambled away our economy were given a pass but the resulting gains were trivial compared to the damage the very same people have caused since.

Please assure me that you will reckon with the past four years.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from the soul of our nation.

Sincerely, Eric Babson