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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about vigilantes. Yesterday you pardoned violent political extremists who attacked police and threatened legislators. Tacit support for such groups is a hallmark of repressive governance. The many examples include Argentine death squads, Chinese red guards, Rwandan militias, Israeli settler gangs and the US Klan. Recently there have been militias roaming the border and proud boys and three percenters partolling children's story hours, polling places and political rallies alike. This pardon implies government support for extremist violence and puts likely leaders back on the streets.

Please assure me that you will prosecute political threats.

My pride in the US derives partly from the rule of law.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson