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## Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about privatization of government.

Wealth concentration has reshaped our society with private equity shifting nearly a fifth of the economy from public to private. The effects include less competition, more secrecy, lower wages, higher prices, worse products and less stability with many eventually folding. Newspapers, rental housing and healthcare have been reshaped with significantly higher mortality as one outcome. The gutting of Twitter has also affected our political discourse and its architect is now raiding our government. Professionals are being fired with an order that senior executive service members be reassigned while the project 2025 web site is taking applications for political hacks to hire. This leaves us (the customers) in the lurch while the raiders are free to skim off as contracts what could easily amount to trillions of dollars.

Please assure me that you will govern for the people.

My pride in the US derives partly from our effective government.

Sincerely, Eric Babson