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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for our courts.

Ms. Pelosi's effective control of congress led to her husband's serious injury while Judge Salas' son was killed in a political attack in 2020. Judges Chutkan and Merchan faced threats for presiding in your cases last year and Republican loyalty is also being menacingly enforced. Mr Swalwell cites threats as influencing some Republican votes for your bizarrely inappropriate cabinet. Justice Roberts in December bemoaned rising threats to judges while US Marshals and judges themselves are reporting unusually high threat levels since the new year. Dozens of threatening posts from Mr Musk have inspired many more from your supporters. The targeting this week of Republican Justice Barrett who had already been wearing a bulletproof vest is of particular concern. When Justices rule based on their own safety the rule of law is lost.

Please assure me that you will prosecute threats to judges.

My pride in the US derives in part from our independent judiciary.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson