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## Dear Governor Newsom:

I am concerned about the tyranny of the majority.

The federal administration is now staffed by cowardly sadistic bigots who enjoy and benefit from attacking those least able to defend themselves. Trans people and immigrants top their list of targets but many of the rest of us are not far behind. Their approach is effective when targets are abandoned by others and they can proceed to peel off another group to persecute. If our civil society is to survive not to mention our own self respect it is essential to loudly support those under attack. With your commentary on trans athletes you have fallen a long way since supporting gay marriage twenty years ago. You are encouraging the bullies to further divide us.

Please assure me that you will support trans athletes.

My pride in the US derives in part from our egalitarianism.

Sincerely, Eric Babson