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Dear Mr President:

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I am concerned about discrimination.

You have been attacking the egalitarian ideal of high social mobility and minimal bigotry with frightening zeal. The continuing effects of our history of slavery and Jim Crow exclusion remain statistically clear. Integration of the military and the voting rights act used federal power to overcome local bigots. You are egging them on. Besides rhetorical support your 'dei' vendetta is removing protections and in firing General Brown you lead by example. The worst among us are being empowered as you threaten companies with lost business, schools with funding cuts and departments with doge takeovers and then provide a vague buzz phrase rather than specific policies. The recent loss of a trans Red Oak High teacher is an example of the process with federal encouragment rather than prosecution of her tormentors.

Please assure me that you will support minorities.

My pride in the US derives in part from our egalitarian aspirations.

Sincerely, Eric Babson