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To:

The Honorable Donald J. Trump, President of the United States
The Honorable Members of the United States Congress
Washington, D.C.

Subject

Advocacy for Reconsideration of Birthright Citizenship to Protect Americans from Domestic and Foreign Threats

Dear Mr. President and Members of Congress,

I write as a concerned citizen and veteran, deeply committed to the safety, security, and cultural integrity of the United States. In recent years, Americans have faced a new kind of domestic and hybrid warfare that blends criminal exploitation, foreign interference, and political extremism. This letter urges serious consideration of reforms to birthright citizenship as a means to protect American citizens and preserve the integrity of our nation.

I. The American Experience of Domestic Warfare

During the COVID-19 pandemic, organized criminal and trafficking networks took advantage of widespread disruption. Communities across the country suffered attacks that mirrored historical patterns of attrition, destabilization, and psychological warfare.

Many generational American women endured cyber harassment, stalking, and exploitation during this time. Too many have remained silent out of fear. I write to give voice to their experience, to honor their strength, and to advocate for stronger protections on their behalf.

II. Crime and Trafficking Networks

Criminal organizations have become more structured and transnational in nature. Young adults often serve as mobile operators. Middle-aged adults coordinate logistics and finances. Older individuals sometimes act as facilitators or protectors.

Federal law enforcement agencies, including the FBI, ICE, and ATF, have documented an increase in unlawful entrants linked to trafficking, violence, and organized crime. These networks exploit legal gaps and enforcement weaknesses, creating serious risks to public safety, especially for women and vulnerable populations.

III. Foreign Influence and Hybrid Threats

Foreign and domestic actors have weaponized technology, media, and commerce to weaken American communities. Cyberattacks, disinformation, and targeted propaganda have spread distrust and division. Foreign-controlled property purchases raise additional concerns over sovereignty and security.

Americans now face threats that are not only physical but digital and psychological. Stalking, sexual coercion, and economic manipulation have become tools of control and intimidation. These tactics require a coordinated federal response.

IV. Legal and Constitutional Foundations

The Fourteenth Amendment grants citizenship to those born in the United States and subject to its jurisdiction. Historical records show this was meant for the children of lawful residents, not individuals who entered the country unlawfully.

Reconsidering the modern interpretation of this clause would restore constitutional intent and strengthen national stability. A clear, lawful definition of citizenship is essential to protecting both citizens and those who lawfully seek to join our nation.

V. Policy Recommendations

- Clarify that birthright citizenship applies only to children of lawful residents or citizens.
- Strengthen border security, immigration enforcement, and property oversight to prevent exploitation by foreign or criminal entities.
- Expand authority and resources for federal law enforcement to combat trafficking, organized crime, and hybrid threats.
- Modernize laws protecting women from stalking, harassment, voyeurism, and digital exploitation.
- Support education and resilience programs to help communities recognize and resist disinformation.

Conclusion

The United States faces a complex landscape of domestic and international threats. Our citizenship laws, security policies, and enforcement systems must evolve to defend our people and preserve our constitutional values.

I urge decisive action to protect Americans, uphold cultural and civic integrity, and secure our nation's future. I am prepared to offer further analysis and recommendations to support this effort.

Sincerely,

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