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The Honorable Secretary Xavier Becerra  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Secretary Becerra,

I write you to express my profound concern associated with ending Title 42 amid the border crisis created at the hands of the Biden Administration. Under the leadership of President Trump, Title 42 was established through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to protect the United States from further COVID-19 infection and spread. Given the current appalling migrant crisis and the continued spread of COVID-19, it would be irresponsible and ludicrous to end this policy. In visiting our southern border, I have witnessed firsthand the severe conditions and repercussions of a 20-year record high for illegal border crossings. As over 170,000 illegal migrants flood over our border each month, human kidnappings and trafficking, drug smuggling, home invasions, extortions, murders for hire, robberies, and assaults threaten and plague our nation.

Since taking office, we have seen a dangerous influx of migrants from over 100 countries, including people on the FBI's terror watch list, notorious MS-13 gang members, and repeat dangerous criminals who are exploiting the abysmal and weak immigration policies coming from the Oval Office. These border crossings have profound long-term implications for the welfare of the United States. The heroes on the ground facing this daunting task will be the first to tell you that ending Title 42 would mean one thing: complete chaos on the border. To date, this Trump enacted policy has stifled this influx to the tune of hundreds of thousands of illegal aliens.

Ending Title 42 would be nothing short of disastrous and further fuel the influx of migrants flooding our border; we will see the border crisis reach an irreversible climax. Without Title 42, the already inundated facilities would explode with migrants, and our nation would suffer lasting and irreparable consequences. Reversal of previous Trump Administration immigration policy has caused this crisis, and the Biden Administration has utterly failed.

President Biden and Vice President Harris have neglected to control the crisis and have proven they are unfit to resolve this catastrophe. Any attempt to end Title 42 is an abdication of the responsibility entrusted to the Executive to provide for the safety and security of the homeland and will only exacerbate the humanitarian, national, and political crisis on our border. The American people deserve and demand safety and security at the southern border. I urge the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to take control of this emergency and carry on with Title 42 instead of further fueling this disaster.

Sincerely,



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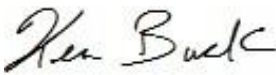
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