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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 20, 2018

The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

Just as you and I love our children, the men and women at the U.S./Mexico border, seeking legal relief, love their children in the same way.

While I have great respect for the rule of law, I am of the well-informed opinion that there is a way that we can process the families seeking legal relief as a family unit and avoid the current circumstances that result in the unnecessary separation of children from their parents.

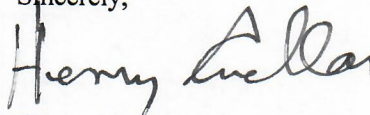
Therefore, I humbly request that you and Mrs. Trump both join me on a tour of one of the facilities where these separated children are being held so that you can see firsthand the impact this process is having on these innocent children.

My invitation is devoid of any partisan or political motivation. The only goal is that we witness together the practical implications of how a policy decision can result in unnecessary hardship on both children and their parents.

I remain confident that we can achieve a practical solution that minimizes trauma to innocent children while realizing our shared goal that only those truly deserving of legal relief attain it.

Given the gravity and seriousness of the situation, I ask that you respond as promptly as possible and that we schedule a visit as soon as your schedule allows.

Sincerely,



Henry Cuellar  
U.S. Congressman  
28th District of Texas