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Dear President Biden,

On February 2, Alejandro Mayorkas was confirmed as the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Since his confirmation, the United States has seen over one million migrants apprehended at our southern border, along with tens of thousands of "gotaways" who have escaped detection. Even as the hot summer months have historically led to a dramatic decrease in apprehensions at the border, our border has seen a sustained influx of drug, human, and sex trafficking.

Mr. President, Secretary Mayorkas' short tenure at DHS has been nothing short of an unmitigated disaster for border security and for American safety and sovereignty. For this reason, I am requesting that you replace him with a Secretary who is committed to the rule of law and enforcement of border policies that protect American communities.

Time is of the essence to enact meaningful changes to your Executive Branch that is charged with faithfully executing the laws of our land. Every day under your administration, international cartels operate along our border with near impunity. They ferry migrants across the border to create distractions and gaps for our Border Patrol agents. They smuggle illicit and deadly drugs to countless American communities to wreak havoc in unsuspecting school systems and families.

What is happening at our border – and the real-life consequences that are reverberating from the border crisis – could be the perfect script for a movie. Unfortunately, in this movie plot, the good guys (our Border Patrol agents) have no hero to save the day, and the villains (the cartels) will likely coast through the credits in control of the situation on the ground. You and Secretary Mayorkas have the tools and the laws to stop this border crisis, restore order to border states and communities, and ensure that the rule of law again means something in this nation. To date, this has not happened.

Americans are counting on your administration to enforce our laws and to stop the crisis at the border. Please, Mr. President. Do the right thing. Enforce our laws. Push back against the lawless cartel activity that is ripping apart communities along our border. Protect Americans and our country's sovereignty. And surround yourself with men and women who will uphold their constitutional oaths of office.

Secretary Mayorkas has not. I hope that you will.

Respectfully,

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