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To the Citizens of The United States of America:

This great country of ours has and continues to afford us many opportunities and freedoms. The freedom of speech, a free press, the right to redress grievances with our government. The right to bear arms, the freedom to assemble peaceably, and no search or seizure without due process or warrant. We have the opportunity to become anyone or anything we can imagine. We have the opportunity do as much or a little with our lives that we desire. Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness!

As a USAF Veteran, I defended these rights and opportunities for all the citizens of this great nation. As a husband and father, I would do anything to protect these rights and opportunities for my family; as I am sure anyone would. I would put locks on all my doors, smoke detectors and alarm system to keep my family safe. I would thoroughly screen a salesman at my door before inviting him into my home. My family is my life and my responsibility.

President Trump is no different, with one exception: the citizens of the United States of America comprise his family. He would do no less for you as he would for his immediate family. He is going to protect this nation and its citizens no matter what other people or nations think.

He is going to put a lock on our doors (the border wall) to keep the unwanted out. He is going to screen people (temporary visa suspension) before he lets them in his house – our house. We must think of this nation as “our house”. We must protect it and the family within at all cost.

To protest his temporary visa suspension is like someone protesting you keeping that unwanted solar panel salesman out of your house because you haven’t had the time to evaluate him.

I agree, the United States of America is a nation of immigrants; however, this nation is also a nation of laws, and the rule of law must be applied. Yes, it can be applied with compassion for others, but that compassion cannot and must not override the rule of law.

So, before you decide to protest this action or any other action, first put yourself in President Trump’s position and realize he is just protecting his house and family.

-Jerry

