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To the Honorable Chairman Biggs, and the Honorable Ranking Member McBath,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak today on the subject of crime in America. I am concerned that our government is not protecting law abiding, hardworking American citizens and our families from those that wish to do us harm.

I was a victim of crime in San Francisco where I was robbed and left with a fractured skull. I was walking in a nice, wealthy neighborhood during daylight hours. He grabbed my purse, I stepped into the street, the car he jumped into started coming at me, I jumped on the hood to avoid getting run over and he floored it and hit the brakes, laughing. The man who did it was an illegal immigrant, a convicted felon that the San Francisco DA at the time, Kamala Harris kept out of prison to train for jobs that he couldn't legally hold. This was paid for by taxpayers. This type of thing is happening throughout the country, in fact this program was touted as a success and repeated in other cities. The fact that illegals were enrolled was accidental they said. I don't think anyone believes that.

Journalists and politicians like to repeat a statistic that immigrants commit less crime than Americans. Even if not manipulated, which I suspect it is like most media nowadays, personally I find that argument irrelevant. Every additional criminal we allow to enter this country is one to many, we have enough already and have done nothing to deter them from committing more crimes.

While the person who harmed me was an illegal immigrant, crime in this country is certainly not limited to those here in this country illegally. District attorneys in cities across America are not keeping those convicted of violent crimes off the streets and in prison where many of them belong.

Certain politicians no longer hide their commitment to the Marxist principle that criminals are just a product of their circumstances. In their view, the criminals are just victims of capitalism, and somehow a job or handout will eliminate their tendency toward violent crime, no matter how many times that is proven wrong. Jails and prisons have become a revolving door. No bail laws, lighter sentencing, and identity politics-driven leniency put

violent people on the streets again to harm others. The fear of being caught or prosecuted is nonexistent. The crimes just get more heinous, recidivism is almost guaranteed.

Our law enforcement's hands are often tied, in cities across the country they are losing the ability and motivation to do their jobs. When caught, criminals just get let out the next day with no bail. Why would an officer risk their lives and get shot at, to capture a criminal that will not be prosecuted, and then be constantly criticized and villainized while doing it?

Our Vice President encouraged supporting a bail fund to let violent, repeat offenders out of jail during the rioting summer of 2020. Many of these criminals went on to commit other horrible crimes. That same summer, her running mate opened his windows and marveled at the smell of his city burning down.

One of the most heart wrenching part of hearing from the families of victims of violent crime after they lose a loved one; it's almost always something that could have been prevented. It's *rarely* a first-time offender. If only the backlog of sexual assault kits had been processed and prosecuted, if only that offender served time for their prior violent crime, if only they wouldn't have been let in through our porous border, these families' loved one would have been spared. It's a gut punch. It's unfair. It's heartbreaking and Americans need to stop putting up with it. No one is taking accountability for failing to keep the American people safe.

Americans need to go out and vote in November for the only person who wants to do anything about it and has demonstrated he can and will.

Best Regards,

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