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The Honorable Senator Martin Heinrich

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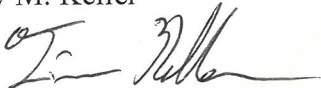
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The Honorable Melanie Stansbury

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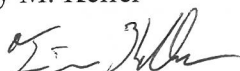
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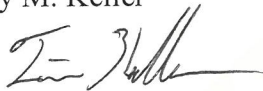
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I hope these examples help illustrate the predicament we are in and inspire you to work with us to defend Albuquerque from the Trump Administration's damaging actions. Please reach out to me directly to talk more about how we can work together in the coming months to see that these threats from the Trump Administration are met with our joined resistance.

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¹ EO14148 "Initial Rescissions Of Harmful Executive Orders And Actions," EO14168 "Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism And Restoring Biological Truth To The Federal Government," EO14151 "Ending Radical And Wasteful Government Dei Programs And Preferencing," EO14173 "Ending Illegal Discrimination And Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity"

² EO14151 "Ending Radical And Wasteful Government Dei Programs And Preferencing"

³ EO 14160 Protecting the Meaning and Value of American Citizenship and EO 14159 Protecting the American People Against Invasion

⁴ EO 14194 Imposing Duties to Address the Situation at Our Southern Border, EO 14193 Imposing Duties to Address the Flow of Illicit Drugs Across Our Northern Border, EO 14195 Imposing Duties to Address the Synthetic Opioid Supply Chain in the People's Republic of China, Proclamation 10896 Adjusting Imports of Steel into The United States, Proclamation 10895 Adjusting Imports of Aluminum into The United States, EO 14220 Addressing the Threat to National Security from Imports of Copper, EO 14245 Imposing Tariffs on Countries Importing Venezuelan Oil, see also EOs 14232, 14231, 14228, 14227, 14226, 14223, 14200, 14197, 14198