

Re: raise the Social Security contribution and benefit base from the 2025 amount of \$176,100 to \$1,000,000

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Dear Mr. Lake,

Thank you for writing to share your concerns regarding the Trump Administration. I appreciate hearing from you.

I share the deep concerns of many Californians about the direction the Trump Administration has already taken and the potential impact on the rights and values we hold dear.

The Trump Administration has sought to undermine critical federal agencies and illegally block hundreds of billions of dollars authorized by Congress for essential federal programs that support disaster recovery, child care, nutrition, public safety, scientific research, education, and much more. The Administration has also made our country less safe by purging thousands of experienced, career civil servants across law enforcement agencies like the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as well as at key agencies involved in aviation safety, food safety, and wildfire prevention.

I believe it is my job to best serve the interests of Californians and all Americans. To date, I have taken action to push for transparency and hold the Administration accountable on everything from the unlawful access of personal data and protecting California's water supply to fully funding our wildfire prevention and food safety efforts. Please know that I will continue to do all that I can to uphold the Constitution and work to protect Californians from any actions that may threaten our state's progress.

Please know that I appreciate hearing your perspective on this issue, and I remain dedicated to protecting the rights, values, and well-being of all Californians.

Once again, thank you for writing. Should you have any other questions or comments, please call my Washington, D.C. office at (202) 224-3553 or visit my website at [padilla.senate.gov](https://padilla.senate.gov). You can also follow me on [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#), and you can sign up for my email newsletter at [padilla.senate.gov/newsletter](https://padilla.senate.gov/newsletter).

Sincerely,



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