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Dear President Obama,

*Desperate times call for desperate action.*

Tonight I heard you Mr. President speak words of comfort to a broken nation over the loss of innocent lives in the latest of school shootings in U.S. history. I must admit that I was quite impressed with the sincerity of kind and loving words from you. You were in fact very presidential. I was moved to tears when I heard the sound of weeping when the names of the victims were read. I also heard you speak a name that I personally had never

heard you refer too, the name of Jesus. I was very pleased to hear you speak that beautiful name. You did say in your speech that this was the fourth time that you have had to deal with the carnage of such awful suffering during your presidency. You made a vow to take action using your power to curb the action of such evil in our country.

Mr. President I hope you were serious about taking such action. I thought I might send you a few ideas that will help turn our nation around. I remember going to public school and starting each day by reciting the Lord's Prayer and saying the pledge of allegiance before our American flag. I remember when they took prayer out of the public schools and I watched as I grew up our nation slip into a huge moral decline. I was raised in a home where my Dad taught us how to shoot a gun and handle it safely. I was raised that you never pointed a gun at another human being, even though we played cowboys and Indians, cops and robbers, we knew the difference between play and reality. Although we were raised with guns in our house and in a society of gun owners there was never the fear that one day deranged people would actually go into a school or any other public place and simply open fire on people. I grew up in a home where we never locked our doors at night or any other time for that matter. We didn't have too. As a small boy I could play outside, walk to town to the TG&Y and spend a quarter. Today we cannot let our children play outside without supervision and as you said tonight Mr. President that we as a society have to trust one-another to help look out for the safety of our children. I remember reading the Ten Commandments at the public court house and I was proud that our judicial system was based on the morality of those Ten Commandments. Yes we are living in desperate times.

People have lost sight of the value of life, love, hope and peace. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could return to the value of having prayer in our public schools? Wouldn't it be a better society to have our children start the day with a prayer and a pledge? So Mr. President why not be remembered as the President who reinstated prayer into public schools, and the Ten Commandments back on the walls of our judicial system? It may not be the most popular thing to do but it would be the right thing to do.

Mr. President you shed tears over the loss of the innocent children and adults that were slain this week and you read their names with emotion. Where are your tears for the murder of unborn babies who never had the privilege of even being given a name? That number of the loss of innocent lives sir is not in the tens but in the tens of thousands. Why not be remembered as the President who put an end to such ungodly cruelty and callused indifference to human life. Where is the emotion over the doctor who takes a scalpel and cut the body of an innocent baby into parts and puts them on a table to count the pieces to see if all the little body parts can be accounted for. Ending abortion (murder of the unborn) would be a great place to start.

Gun control laws do not and cannot protect the innocent of our nation. A criminal has no respect of the law be it gun control law or any other. If you take guns out of society will you also take airplanes and automobiles out of society as well? Both have been used to commit murder as you well know. No Sir, taking guns away from a society of people who have enjoyed the privilege of owning guns does not strengthen a nation but in truth weakens it. We must address the real problem in our world today. It is a matter of the heart. Change the heart of man for the better and you will change the world. We need to get back to the basic values of a free and Godly society where there is respect for God, Family and Country. We need you Mr. President to turn our country around where men, women, boys and girls value the life of all people of the world, including the unborn. Mr. President, be the President who returns America to her greatness when she valued all life, respected the law and protected the innocent. I believe you can do this if you are willing. I assure you that there will be many stars in your crown in heaven if you are brave enough to do this.

With Respect