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RE: DOGE vs. Our Data and Our Social Security

Dear Members of Congress,

In Trump's latest power grab, the so-called Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) has seized access to multiple federal computer systems that house the sensitive personal information of millions of Americans – including our bank accounts, health records, and Social Security numbers. They're also reportedly using AI to decide what critical public services and programs to cut, opening up our personal information to enormous cybersecurity vulnerabilities. This is a massive and potentially illegal invasion of our privacy.

Our data is protected by laws that limit who can access it and how it can be used. But DOGE is forcing its way into the government's most protected systems using people whose names we do not know and who have not been vetted and without consideration of the longstanding privacy safeguards mandated by Congress. We need to demand that our private records not be illegally accessed, analyzed, or weaponized by Trump, DOGE, and an unaccountable team of unvetted outsiders. Congress must step up, do its job, and check the president's violations of our rights.

Furthermore, every individual member of Congress must be saying at every opportunity that these DOGE techs do not have the cover of authority and remind them that Trump's pardon power only covers federal crimes. Therefore, they are exposing themselves to civil litigation and state criminal action. That might restrain some of them and severely limit the labor pool Musk has to draw from for this work.

I am also worried about Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. Donald Trump has tasked Elon Musk, the richest man in the world, with finding cuts to offset his trillion-dollar tax cut for the rich. And Musk has been increasingly hinting that he's planning to slash Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid to pay for it.

I'm counting on you to stand up for our Social Security system. Please, pledge to oppose any cuts to Social Security, Medicare, or Medicaid! I expect to hear back from you on this!

Sincerely,

(Print Name & Address) _____