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Dear [Government Leader's Name],

I am writing to you today to express my deep concerns over the climate crisis. As world leaders meet for COP30 right now to discuss climate action, it is imperative that our local government also prioritize actions that address this critical matter and ensure a sustainable future for our region.

Climate change is a global crisis that has far-reaching implications for the environment, economy, and the well-being of our citizens. This year we have witnessed the devastating effects of extreme weather events, rising sea levels, and the loss of biodiversity across the world. Greenhouse gas concentrations which trap heat in the atmosphere and increase Earth's surface temperature is currently at its highest levels in 2 million years and continue to rise, **according to the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP). Scientists at NASA are predicting** that many parts of the world will become uninhabitable as early as 2050.

These impacts are not only harmful to our environment but also have profound consequences for our community's infrastructure, public health, and the overall quality of life. **The WHO has declared** that between 2030 and 2050, climate change is expected to cause approximately 250,000 additional deaths per year.

Time for action is running out. **The UNEP has stated** that 10 years ago, if countries had acted on climate science, governments would have needed to reduce emissions by only 3.3% each year compared to the 7.6% that we now have to achieve. Every year we fail to act, the level of difficulty and cost to reduce emissions goes up.

Here are three focus areas our government can prioritize [Choose three of the options from the action items list or add ones of your choice]:

The long-term costs of inaction are likely to be far greater than the investments required today. Furthermore, the actions we take now can lead to economic opportunities, job creation, and a cleaner, healthier environment for all.

Thank you for your attention to this vital matter. I look forward to your response and to witnessing positive changes that will benefit our community for generations to come.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

