

To whomever it may concern,

I am a senior in high school at Friends Seminary in New York City. I am very concerned with the treatment of our citizens that have been incarcerated. Just miles away from where I go to school, human beings are being tortured for minor infractions within the prison community. It is every human being's right to interact with other humans. We need that to function. Also, prison should be a place for people to rehabilitate themselves and become more functional members of society. Solitary confinement prevents this and treats human prisoners like animals. I really hope that you take the time to think about this and work to ensure that every human being is guaranteed their basic rights while under the jurisdiction of our government.

Sincerely,

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