

Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you.

For protecting New Zealand,

Against this deadly, dangerous virus,

For helping New Zealand through these tough, tricky times

And keeping us as safe as can be,

It must be hard dealing with people who do not agree with you,

Spending long hours thinking about what is best for the country,

Anticipating, answering questions that reporters might yell at you

Knowing that a lot of New Zealand is watching your speech,

Judging,

Perhaps scorning your words,

Adjusting to your rules,

Talking about what *they* would do if they were you,

Perhaps shouting and screaming at the screen,

Bankrupt business owners despairing

It is hard.

And stressful.

You may not think it sometimes,

But your wise words are saving lives,

Without your decisions, a lot of New Zealanders would be severely and seriously sick

Or maybe even dead with Covid 19

So you are a hero

And I want to say a huge thank you

From,

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