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### Reflection

I chose to do an open letter as my genre. You can think of an open letter as sending a text message to someone but everyone can see it. An open letter is directed to a specific person to help you solve the conflict that is harming a large group of people. In this case we're talking about mentally ill homeless people. They are a threat to our safety which is causing us as a community to feel unsafe when going out in public. We live in constant fear of not knowing what their true intentions are and that has put many of us in danger and it has cost others their life as well. I am writing this piece to the mayor of New York City Eric Adams in the hopes of trying to come up with solutions to improve our safety. Subway stations have become the most common places for homeless people to sleep at and most of us take the subway to get to our destination but just because the train station is the most common many also sleep under bridges and sidewalks and although we might be frightened to leave our house we have to in order to move on with our everyday activities weather that's going to school or going to work. People that suffer with mental illness don't think about whether or not their actions are harming other people; it takes away their ethics. They don't know the difference between right and wrong anymore. The thing about our generation is that if many people can relate to the topic they tend to re-post it online and share their opinion and I think that is really important to this situation just because everyone can relate to it whether you're a teenager , a young adult or a elderly person no matter the age you have come across mentally ill people on the streets. Many don't feel safe when going out in public and have bought themselves pepper spray or tasers to be able to use for self-defense. The first step to improve our safety is to listen to what we have to say because we're the ones that are going through these experiences and it's a really scary interaction to come across and many individuals share their experience on their social media platforms to alert other people that might be around the area. A lot of us know the feeling of being targeted and that being the case we also think of ways to protect us from people on the street suffering with mental illness , the people with higher power are the ones who can actually take action into transforming our ideas to feel protected into a reality. When it comes to our safety a lot of people come together because that is something that everyone values , by coming together as a unit we are more powerful. Homeless people suffering with mental illness don't receive the help they need but with the diverse working fields there are, it is possible to grant them medical help. Some traits about this topic is coming together as a whole to keep each other protected , spreading the

word and making us feel heard , solving a dilemma , coming up with solutions and everyone feeling involved. At the end of the day it's our safety and many of us really value our life's. Whether it's for our kids or family or maybe just for yourself no one deserves to be killed or harmed based on someone else's fight with mental illness. It's sad that someone else's death can be caused because someone else decided that today is going to be their last day and it shouldn't be like that there should be an end to this.