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SENT VIA EMAIL  
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Mr. Tolia:

I am president of the Florida Action Committee, Inc. (FAC). FAC is a not-for-profit, public safety advocacy organization. Our membership is comprised of over eight hundred members, primarily located in the State of Florida. Included in our membership are registered sex offenders, their families and members of their households. Also, among our members are treatment professionals and other stakeholders.

Several members have notified us that they attempted to open accounts with Nextdoor.com, but have had their accounts revoked. According to your Member Agreement ([https://nextdoor.com/member\\_agreement/](https://nextdoor.com/member_agreement/)) “*Convicted sex offenders, including registered sex offenders, and their households are not eligible for Nextdoor accounts.*”

Accordingly, you not only ban registrants, but also their family members or any other individual who may cohabitate with a registrant. This level of discrimination is, to our knowledge, unprecedented by any social media platform.

When asked about your policy, you informed our members, via email that “*Nextdoor has partnerships with more than 500 police departments, city governments, and other public agencies, and they have made clear to us that a no exceptions policy with regard to the households of registered sex offenders is a necessary precondition for these partnerships.*”

The Supreme Court of the United States ruled that government cannot block a registrant’s access to social media (see Packingham v. North Carolina, 137 S. Ct. 1730 (2017), finding that such bans “impermissibly restricts lawful speech in violation of the First Amendment.” Your claim that ‘more than 500 police departments, city governments and other public agencies’ require that you block entire households where a registrant is present, would take this unconstitutionality to an entirely different level.

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request, in light of Packingham, that you reconsider your policy of selectively denying certain households access to your platform. Additionally, please inform us which police departments, city governments and other public agencies are requiring, without exception, that you deny access to households of registered sex offenders, so that we may address this matter with them.

In the alternative, we will explore possible legal remedies.

Sincerely,

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