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Mr. Mark Zuckerberg Chief Executive Officer Facebook, Inc. 1 Hacker Way Menlo Park, CA 94025

Dear Mr. Zuckerberg,

I am writing to follow up on your letter to Chairman Jordan regarding your admission to manipulating information on your platforms. Your dissemination of misinformation can easily be construed as election interference and very well may have impacted the 2020 presidential election. Your acknowledgment of censoring the New York Post's article related to Hunter Biden's laptop limited the open exchange of information related to a free and fair election.

In addition to the censorship and omission of information on your platforms, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative did in fact contribute four hundred million dollars to The Center for Tech and Civic Life and The Center for Election Innovation and Research during the 2020 election cycle. Those funds were used to boost Democratic turnout in key battleground states. It's my understanding derived from official FEC testimony, that nearly \$25 million of those funds were used in four of the sixty-seven counties in Pennsylvania (Chester, Montgomery, Delaware, and Philadelphia). These counties, as you and your organization were aware, are heavily Democratic counties. It's also known that senior advisor to the Obama administration and now to the Harris campaign, David Plouffe, serves within your organization's leadership.

As a result of the partisan funding in 2020, the Pennsylvania legislature found it prudent to pass legislation, 25 P.S. § 107, amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code that would prevent outside interference in the form of unfair funding in election administration.

Your letter to Chairman Jordan also states that your contributions "were designed to be non-partisan – spread across urban, rural, and suburban communities." The choice of organizations that the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative contributed to are in fact very partisan and have a long-standing record of being far left of center. The 'Get Out the Vote' initiatives that these two specific organizations contributed to, using your funding, were not only targeted into Democratic counties, but have been beset by allegations that they were used to participate in ballot harvesting.

Ballot harvesting, Mr. Zuckerberg, is illegal in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Do understand that any actions taken that violate election law funded by you directly or via proxy organizations, including indirectly supporting and paying for ballot harvesting could lead to all individuals and entities involved being held criminally liable. By the way, in Pennsylvania, ballot harvesting carries a penalty of up to fifteen thousand dollars in fines, or seven years in prison, or both (25 P.S.§ 3527).

We demand that your assertion to "be neutral and not play a role one way or another" be upheld and that any future funding will not be used in a way that breaks the law. We must uphold the ethical and legal standards of our election process to assure voter confidence.

We trust you have an honest interest in re-building trust and confidence in your platforms and promoting unbiased information sharing for all Americans. Your acknowledgment of the intent and spirit of this letter would be appreciated.

Respectfully,

Dan Meuser

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