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### **NAPO Calls on Amazon and Facebook to Stop the Promotion of Anti-Law Enforcement Merchandise**

Persistent and nationwide calls for the killing of officers and anti-police rhetoric have continued with little to no abatement and it has come to the attention of the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) that industry giants Amazon and Facebook are not only promoting this rhetoric, they are profiting from it.

Facebook continues to permit “fuck the police” pages and groups for public use. Amazon is selling “Fuck the Police” t-shirts as well as other anti-police merchandise. It is immoral that Facebook and Amazon continue to allow police hate groups to use their businesses as platforms for dangerous anti-police propaganda, particularly when such messages have directly contributed to the targeted killings of police officers. It is even more disgusting that a retailer such as Amazon would promote and profit off of such a violent message.

The men and women of NAPO condemn in the strongest possible terms the brutal and deliberate murders of America’s police officers and any language or depiction calling for such murders. We call on Amazon and Facebook to take the lead among social medial and online retailers in standing up and stopping the promotion of dangerous anti-police rhetoric. We urge Amazon and Facebook to support the men and women who risk their lives every day to ensure our neighborhoods and communities are safe and join us in changing the culture that becomes increasingly strident in its calls for killings with each officer’s death.

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*NAPO is a coalition of police unions and associations from across the United States that serves to advance the interests of America’s law enforcement through legislative and legal advocacy, political action, and education. Founded in 1978, NAPO now represents more than 1,000 police units and associations, 241,000 sworn law enforcement officers, and more than 100,000 citizens who share a common dedication to fair and effective crime control and law enforcement.*