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Dear Senators and Representatives,

We, the undersigned Attorneys General, as the chief legal officers of our states, write in support of the Senate version of the bipartisan Kids Online Safety Act (KOSA), S. 1748.

We recognize the serious and growing threats that social media platforms pose to minors. Many social media platforms deliberately target minors, fueling a nationwide youth mental health crisis. These platforms are intentionally designed to be addictive, particularly for underaged users, and generate substantial profits by monetizing minors' personal data through targeted advertising. These companies fail to adequately disclose the addictive nature of their products or the well-documented harms associated with excessive social media use. Increasing evidence demonstrates that these companies are

aware of the adverse mental health consequences imposed on underage users, yet they have chosen to persist in these practices. Accordingly, many of our Offices have initiated investigations and filed lawsuits against Meta and TikTok for their role in harming minors.

Last year, the AG community expressed our strong support of KOSA. We continue to support the Senate version of KOSA, S. 1748, which has broad bipartisan sponsorship and addresses our concerns regarding preemption and Duty of Care. However, we cannot agree with a counterpart KOSA bill, H.R. 6484, which has expansive preemption language included within it.¹ States have pioneered laws that promote online safety for minors. H.R. 6484's preemption language would expressly limit the states' ability to address evolving online harms in the future.

We are also concerned about H.R. 6484's omission of a Duty of Care, which is a key component of the Senate's KOSA bill, S. 1748. In lieu of a Duty of Care, H.R. 6484 merely requires that companies have "reasonable policies, practices, and procedures" that address a limited list of harms. But this language will not deliver meaningful change. Many of these companies already maintain policies about the same limited list of harms—and those self-serving policies have not protected our states' minors from injury.

We urge the House to align with S. 1748, which (1) preserves states' authority to enact laws, rules, or regulations that provide greater protection for minors; (2) includes a Duty of Care requirement; and (3) expands the enumerated harms to include suicide, eating disorders, compulsive use, other mental health harms, and financial harms. These changes will help create a safer online environment for our children.

Sincerely,



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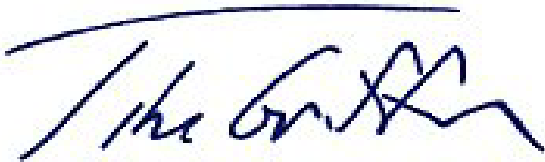
¹ See H.R. 6484, Sec. 10, "Relationship to State Laws."



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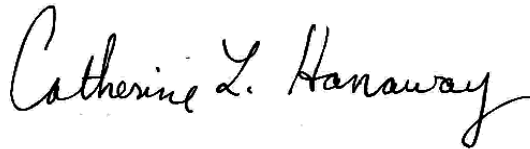
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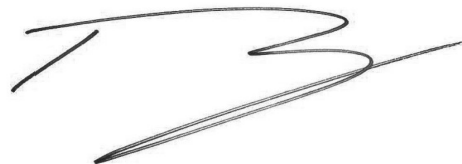
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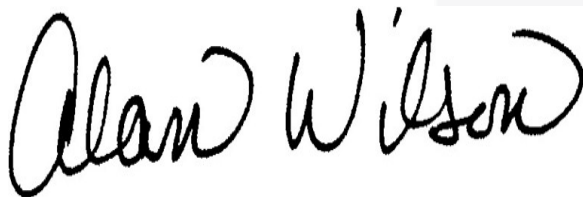
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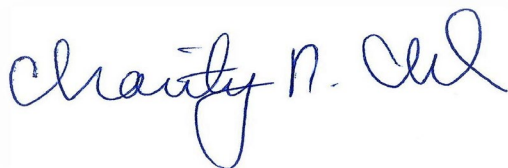
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