



**SUFFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY RACHAEL ROLLINS**

June 30, 2020

Dear Ms. Corey,

I recently became aware that you posted online the address of a member of law enforcement and encouraged the public to show up at his home. I want to make clear in no uncertain terms that what you did was unacceptable.

Among the most significant responsibilities I have as a District Attorney is to protect people's confidentiality and privacy; everyone – be they survivors, witnesses, or defendants – has a right to privacy and deserve to feel safe in their homes and communities. This obligation, of course, also extends to police officers and other members of law enforcement. For this reason, I strongly condemn your deeply irresponsible, uncivil, and potentially dangerous act of invading this officer's privacy by sharing personal information about him and his family.

I support each and every individual's right to protest and to voice their political opinion, be it in person or online. Our First Amendment permits and encourages that behavior and irrespective of viewpoint, I will uphold these rights and privileges. However, the space for protest, debate, and political engagement is in public fora, not at the front door of someone's home or in their family's personal space. This man's family and community did not sign up to be a police officer; he did. Just as I would not condone or appreciate anyone threatening or scaring my daughter and nieces outside of my home, this officer deserves and will receive that same respect and courtesy. At least under my watch he will.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rachael", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Rachael Rollins  
District Attorney