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STATEMENT:

Brenda Castillo, President & CEO of NHMC, on Twitter's Stand Against Online Hate

The National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) recognizes Twitter's historic move against domestic terrorism and hate, specifically White supremacy and nationalism.

As tech and social media platforms are on the national stage, the National Hispanic Media Coalition commends Twitter for taking a stand against online hate by banning White supremacist and former leader of the Ku Klux Klan, David Duke, from their [platform permanently](#) yesterday, July 30th. This comes in the wake of Twitter's [latest update to its hate speech policies](#), disallowing links that promote hate or violence.

Twitter is also ramping up enforcement against the spread of misinformation on its platform, including the removal of a video spreading false information about a COVID-19 "treatment" tweeted out by [Donald Trump Jr.](#), whose account was subsequently suspended earlier this week.

On July 22nd, Twitter banned 7,000 accounts associated with the spread of [QAnon conspiracy theories](#), due to their potential incitement of violence and other offline harm.

As we move deeper into the election season, it is paramount in the coming weeks that our social media platforms act against hate, misinformation, and voter suppression targeting Latinx and other vulnerable communities.

NHMC remains committed and on the front lines in eliminating hate and White supremacy across all media platforms.

Yours In the Movement,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brenda Castillo", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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