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RALIANCE Statement on Protecting Survivors' Privacy

As a national partnership founded by three leading sexual violence prevention organizations, RALIANCE is deeply concerned that survivors' rights to privacy may be in jeopardy with the decision to penalize Uber for not disclosing the names, contact information, and other private and sensitive information of sexual assault survivors sought by the California Public Utilities Commission.

Survivors should always have the option to make decisions about whether, when, and where to report incidents of abuse. There is increasing public understanding that investigation by law enforcement and other authorities is not an avenue that fits the needs of all survivors and community members. Ignoring the needs and rights of survivors of sexual assault is not in the best interest of public safety.

Uber's commitment to tackle the widespread societal issues of sexual harassment, misconduct, and abuse should be applauded, not penalized. Sexual assault is not just one company's problem or issue. It occurs in every mode of transportation and impacts every industry. If we want to end sexual violence in one generation, we must encourage more companies and organizations to transparently gather sexual assault data, while prioritizing the privacy of survivors of sexual violence.

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RALIANCE is a national partnership dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation. Every day, RALIANCE makes prevention possible by advancing research, influencing policy, supporting innovative programs and helping leaders establish safe workplaces and strong communities. For more information, please visit www.RALIANCE.org.