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September 14, 2022

Mr. Michael Miebach
Chief Executive Officer
Mastercard
2000 Purchase Street
Purchase, NY 10577

Dear Mr. Miebach,

As a strong supporter of Second Amendment rights, I write to you today with serious concerns about Mastercard's establishment of a new merchant category code for U.S. gun retailers.

The right to keep and bear arms is enshrined in our Constitution. U.S. citizens are free to protect themselves, and the rights of law-abiding gun owners should not be infringed.

Unfortunately, Mastercard's new policy would track legal purchases, potentially leading to the creation of an unconstitutional firearm owner registry. In light of privacy concerns associated with this new policy, I respectfully request additional information: What is your reasoning for establishing a new merchant category code that specifically targets gun retailers?

I look forward to receiving this information shortly.

Sincerely,



Tim Burchett
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