Dear Eventbrite

It is outrageous—and blatantly sexist—that you have chosen to cancel “Let Women Speak Austin.”

• Inviting survivors of sexual assault to share their concerns about being forced to undress in front of biological males is not hateful—it’s empowering.

• Enabling female athletes who have suffered lasting physical harm, lost awards, and been passed over for scholarships when forced to compete against biological males, to share their stories is not hateful—it’s empowering.

• Raising awareness of how female inmates are being forced to share cells with convicted sex offenders, and who are being raped and violently assaulted, is not hateful—it’s empowering.

• Hearing the stories of women who seek the safety of a “women’s shelter” only to be forced to share space with a biological male, is not hateful—it’s empowering.

Hear this, Eventbrite: women will not be silenced. The event will go on as scheduled and the crowd of women ready to give a public record of their dissent grows with every retweet about the deplatforming.

Your team of “Trust and Safety experts” insults every woman in America by labeling events like these “hateful.” Stop silencing women. Reverse this decision immediately.

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