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Heather,

Attached, please find: (1) a 2 page description of the Safe Start Initiative and Grant info.; and (2) a table with Safe Start Tier 1 and 2 award recipients.

If you would like further information about the grants, a more in-depth description of each awardee's programs, or additional information about the Children Exposed to Violence Initiative (CEVI), please don't hesitate to call.

- Cliff

Safe Start Initiative – FY 1999

Throughout America, millions of children are exposed to violence at home, in their neighborhoods, and in their schools. Too often, children exposed to violence do not receive adequate intervention or treatment to address harmful aftereffects. A number of factors, such as poor communication among service providers and concerns about privacy issues, can result in an inability to treat affected children and their families and a failure to develop comprehensive solutions. As the juvenile justice field continues to focus its prevention efforts on those factors that place children at risk for victimization and delinquency, practitioners and policymakers increasingly are recognizing the effectiveness of engaging communities in addressing such factors.

In FY 1999 Congress appropriated \$10 million for the Department of Justice to fund the Safe Start Initiative. The goal of Safe Start is to create a holistic approach to prevent and reduce the harmful effects of family and community violence on young children. Safe Start seeks to accomplish this goal by expanding existing partnerships between service providers (in key areas such as early childhood education/development, health, mental health, child welfare, family support, substance abuse prevention/intervention, domestic violence/crisis intervention, law enforcement, courts and legal services) to create a comprehensive community service delivery system that will meet the needs of children and their families at any point of entry into the system. The Safe Start Initiative is being administered by the Justice Department's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

In FY 1999, OJJDP received 210 applications under its Safe Start Initiative solicitation and awarded nine Safe Start demonstration sites. These awardees will receive funding for up to five and a half years (based on availability of funds and site accomplishments). The first year of the program is intended to be a planning phase, during which sites will be required to assess community needs and develop a strategic plan for the remaining four and a half years. The strategic plan must provide a time line and strategy for expanding and institutionalizing the community's comprehensive response and prevention system. Demonstration sites will receive up to \$670,000 per year, with \$250,000 to be used for planning; however, as Safe Start progresses, grantees are expected to secure outside funding and become self-sustaining. In addition, Safe Start sites are expected to coordinate and, where feasible, collaborate with other federal, state, and local agencies; national and community foundations; and private sector programs. The following jurisdictions received awards in FY 1999:

- San Francisco, California;
- Bridgeport, Connecticut;
- Pinellas County, Florida;
- Chicago, Illinois;
- Washington County, Maine;
- Baltimore, Maryland;
- Monroe County, New York;

- Chatham County, North Carolina; and
- Spokane, Washington.

OJJDP also has awarded funds to three jurisdictions - Miami, Florida; New Orleans, Louisiana; and Newark, New Jersey - under "Tier II" of the Safe Start Initiative. These jurisdictions will receive \$670,000 to spend over two years to facilitate programmatic expansion and service coordination in the area of children's exposure to violence.

The Safe Start Initiative is an element of the Justice Department's Children Exposed to Violence Initiative (CEVI), which was launched by President Clinton and Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder in December 1998. The goal of CEVI is to (1) *prevent* children's exposure to violence, (2) *intervene* early in the lives of children who are exposed, and (3) hold perpetrators of violence against children strongly *accountable*.

More information about the Safe Start Initiative is available on the OJJDP Website at <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org> or by calling Adam Spector or Liz Pearson at 202/307-0703, the Office of Justice Programs' Office of Congressional and Public Affairs.

**OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION
SAFE START INITIATIVE**

TIER 1 AWARDEES

STATE	CITY	GRANTEE	AMOUNT*	CONTACT	PHONE NUMBER
California	San Francisco	City and County of San Francisco	\$670,000*	Cedric Yap	415/554-9519
Connecticut	Bridgeport	City of Bridgeport	\$670,000*	Janice Willis	203/332-5662
Florida	Pinellas Park	Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County	\$669,584*	Judith Simpson	727/547-5664
Illinois	Chicago	City of Chicago - Department of Public Health	\$670,000*	Erica Salem	312/747-9430
Maine	Augusta	Maine Department of Human Services (will serve Washington County)	\$669,900*	Becky Hayes-Boober	207/561-4197
Maryland	Baltimore	Maryland Department of Juvenile Justice	\$668,300*	Janis S. Parks	410/662-5500
New York	Rochester	Monroe County Health Department	\$669,465*	Dr. Andrew S. Doniger Director of Health	716/274-6068
North Carolina	Pittsboro	Chatham County	\$670,000*	Genevieve R. Megginson	704/336-2944
Washington	Spokane	Washington State University	\$670,000*	Dr. Christopher Blodgett	509/358-7679

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TIER 2 AWARDEES

STATE	CITY	GRANTEE	AMOUNT*	CONTACT	PHONE NUMBER
Florida	Tallahassee	Florida Supreme Court (will serve Miami area)	\$670,000*	Sharon Olsen Abrams	305/375-5278
Louisiana	New Orleans	Louisiana State University Medical Center	\$670,000*	Dr. Joy D. Osofsky	504/568-4450
New Jersey	Newark	University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey	\$670,000*	Dr. Michael B. Greene Executive Director	973-972-2483

*Award amounts are subject to final budget review.

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TO: TIM PUNKE

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* Director-Nominee to be confirmed at this meeting

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS
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April 6-8, 2000

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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse Awards
October 6, 1998

Thank you Leland for your hard work and leadership on behalf of children and families. Thank you for that very kind introduction. Maura, thank you for your leadership, Sid, whom I have known for so many years and I have worked with on issues like this many years ago. Thank you for your steadfast concern and leadership. To all of the artists and entertainers that Mickey Shapiro named and honored, thank you for bringing your extraordinary talents and artistry to this important issue.

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Thank you*

I am so pleased that we have been joined by Senator Rockefeller, Senator Chaffee and Congressman Camp. Congresswoman Kennelly could not be with us, but they are among the real heroes of the continuing efforts to ensure that abused children, neglected children, foster children, vulnerable children around our country are given the support they deserve to have from all of us, the adults of our country.

I am very honored to be here because this is the issue that I have cared about for more than half my life now, starting back in 1970 when I was fortunate to begin through my law school classes, to work with those who were abused and those who were abusers. I have looked into the eyes of so many children and seen the devastating effects of abuse and neglect. I have looked into the eyes of adults who have abused their children and know they were once abused themselves and they can't find their way out of that vicious cycle.

So many of you who are committed to this issue understand clearly that prevention and education are the most important commitment we can make. ~~My friend Michael Bolton said it well when he said we need to continue to increase our awareness and our resources to understand the needs and drives and compulsions and histories to be the best possible parents.~~

But we also know that there are some families where that is not possible and we have to do all that we can to give children another chance in a permanent, loving family. So we have to focus as broadly as we can on the entire family and community. That is why it is so important that we put resources into the Healthy Families America program which you started back in 1992. And it is helping mothers everywhere.

I visited, with Leland and others, a program near here in Virginia. Before attending the program event, I stopped in the home of a single mother named Felicia in Alexandria. Once depressed and scared about the responsibility of parenting her child, worried about if she could do what needed to be done to keep her child safe and healthy, she found herself in the Healthy Families America Program.

She was so pleased to have me visit her home with her young son, a smiling, healthy baby, and to meet her home visitor, who was there to meet me to talk about how they had worked together to ensure that Felicia could be the best possible mother she could be.

The home visitor would come into the home and evaluate the child's growth and answer the mother's questions, which every mother I know of has, and to make sure that any signs of difficulty or stress can be dealt with right there.

Felicia told me what she believes, which I happen to believe, that home visiting would help any mother and particularly young mothers and mothers under stress. It is also one of those preventive measures that would save us money as well as heartbreak and tragedy if we would invest more in it.

It can reduce government assistance, it can reduce child abuse, it can even prevent unintended second pregnancies and substance abuse and lower the number of childhood hospitalizations. All of which cost us -- taxpayers and citizens -- money if they are not prevented. It can also reduce juvenile crime.

All parents who need this kind of support, I believe, should have access to it. It would be a very good investment in our future and in the futures of so many children. I appreciate deeply how you are bringing Healthy Families America to so many communities across our country. And you are doing it with the help of corporate sponsors who understand that it is a good community investment and a way to save money and lives,

We know also that preventing child abuse requires strengthening our entire child welfare system -- preserving families where possible and facilitating adoptions when necessary. Thanks to the President and the Members of Congress you are honoring today, among countless others, we have made great progress in meeting those goals.

Children are better off today because we passed the Family and Medical Leave Act which allows parents to take time off to adopt a child without losing their jobs or their health insurance. They are better off because of the Multi-Ethnic Placement Act which ended discrimination in adoptions based on race and ethnicity and put the child's best interest first. They are better off because of increased tax breaks which make families easier to adopt, especially children with special needs.

Children are and will be better off because we were able to come together across party lines to pass the landmark Adoption and Safe Families Act. Too often in the past we have had polarized discussions about how best to protect abused and neglected children. Thankfully the legislation ~~which was passed last year~~ ended, I hope, that false debate.

7 It says that of course children need loving parents, and we should do everything in our power to keep families intact, but we have to put the health and safety of children as our first concern. No longer will states be required to try and keep children with parents who have tortured, abandoned or chronically abused a child.

Reasonable effort will now truly be reasonable, striking a better balance between family preservation and the well-being of the child. When I talk to children in foster care, which I do as often as I can, I am always saddened by the number of them who feel stigmatized, like they did

something wrong to end up in foster care.

I will never forget a young boy who came to visit Bill and me in the Oval Office a few years ago when we were trying to encourage more adoption and permanent placements for children. This young boy was living in foster care in Virginia. And when Bill asked him where he was living in Virginia, he answered, "all over." That means nowhere.

By moving children more quickly from foster care into permanent families, we have made it clear that foster care is a temporary safe haven, not a place to grow up in. And through this new legislation we have provided states with financial incentives to increase the number of adoptions each year.

Now these are all important accomplishments and certainly a long way from where we were just a few years ago in terms of our priorities and what we want to do for children and for families. But we have a lot yet to be accomplished. If we are going to fulfill the promises of the child welfare and adoption and foster care reforms we have enacted, we have to make sure they are implemented right and that states are held accountable; that the goals are really translated into results.

We have to provide more support and education to judges and others on the front lines who increasingly make critical decisions about children's lives. And if, despite our best efforts, children are abused and neglected, we have to intervene more effectively to help them.

The President has proposed a new \$10 million initiative that brings together Head Start, law enforcement, mental health and social services to help reduce the effects of violence on children between the ages of birth and six. The Senate has already included this initiative in its Appropriations bill. And I hope the House of Representatives will vote as well so that we can try to do more to coordinate what needs to be done to help our youngest children.

This is especially critical because most of our children who are going into foster care are under six. So we have to intervene more quickly. We have to make decisions as to whether they can go home safely or if they should be put up for adoption into a loving family so they can have a chance at a real life ahead of them.

I hope the Congress will also act on a proposal for a \$3 billion Early Learning Fund which provides a variety of services including including home visiting. I just want to emphasize home visiting because we have some very strong evidence that when it is done correctly it really pays off.

We also have to do more to help young people who age out of the foster care system. I met with a group of them a few weeks ago. Sixteen-, 17-, 18-, 19-, 20-year-olds, who had been in foster care for a number of years and then all of a sudden they finish high school or turn 18. Imagine how you would feel if you were told you had to suddenly take care of yourself if you were only 18 years old.

Debbie Smoller -
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Safe Start grants -

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I heard a lot of stories from these young people. I heard about how desperate they were to find places to live, how torn they were about whether to go back to the original family that they were taken from because of drugs or abuse or other chronic problems. It is not a surprise that a number of those young people find trouble because they don't have any continuing support.

But many others somehow make it, but we sure don't make it easy for them. I met one young woman, who in fact introduced me, who had been in foster care since age thirteen. She had aged out the system, but luckily she had done well enough at school to go to college and then worked and saved money and was admitted to my alma mater, Yale Law School. Well, she is a shining example of a success story out of the foster care system. But we need more such stories, for we don't have nearly enough.

Just imagine what we could accomplish for all of these children if we tackled all these issues effect them in a bi-partisan way in the same way we approached the Adoption and Safe Families Act. Unfortunately, even as we speak, there is a bill working its way through Congress that I think would turn the clock back, because it would treat young runaways and truants as adults and put them into adult prisons.

This runs counter to everything we have learned about kids who are often running way from abuse, about kids who are running from abuse need from the rest of us. In fact, it was one of the first things I did when I worked for Sid Johnson and others to find out what happened to young children, some as young as nine or ten, most of them teenagers, who were put into adult prisons.

We documented unspeakable horrors. We found that they were eight times more likely to commit suicide, five times more likely to be sexually assaulted than if they were in some kind of other facility. So in 1974, Congress, acting on a wealth of evidence, acted to separate juveniles from adults in prisons. Now there are some in Congress who would turn the clock back and have made this a part of the Juvenile Justice Bill. It's being rushed through Congress without so much as a debate on the Senate floor.

All of you who know about child abuse and know about the effects of violence, think for a minute of the additional problems we are creating for ourselves by treating these young people in the worst possible way that literally removes any hope of their becoming productive citizens by throwing them in with hardened criminals into adult prisons and jails.

So we have to look at all of the remaining issues. We've made a lot of progress on preventing child abuse, educating people, creating coalitions in the private and public sector. The Committee has been a fabulous leader in making clear what needs to be done to tackle this dreadful problem. But let's keep moving forward and let's not go backwards. Let's make it possible for us to build on the progress that we have made.

I often say that there are no Democratic or Republican children, there are only American children and they have no better friends than all of you, ~~who are part of and support the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse~~ ^{at CAPS.} You know what is important. You know that children can win when adults choose progress over division and it is because of your leadership that we have a

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Ms. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

December 6, 1999

Dear Ms. Clinton:

I cheered last week when you announced your candidacy for the New York U.S. Senate seat. As Executive Director of **Child Abuse Prevention Services - (CAPS)** - I know that New York's children need your voice and your advocacy as never before.

CAPS would like to honor you with the **CAPS Community Leadership 2000 Award** in recognition of your lifelong commitment to children and families. This award will be presented at our 15th Annual Spring luncheon, which is scheduled for Thursday, April 6th, 2000, 11:30am - 2pm, at the Marriott Hotel in Uniondale, Long Island.

The luncheon will draw 300-400 passionate, action-oriented and influential Long Island women and men. As our honoree, Mrs. Clinton, you have the potential to engage even more support for the crucial work of child abuse prevention. The luncheon coincides with the beginning of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, bringing added synergy and attention to our efforts.

CAPS, founded by the Junior League of Long Island and the National Council of Jewish Women, is Long Island's premiere organization dedicated to the prevention of child abuse through education. Our cutting edge educational programs touch the lives of more than 25,000 school children, parents, and educators each year in over 100 Long Island schools.

As our honoree you join a roster of truly distinguished child advocates. Past recipients of **CAPS Community Service Leadership 2000 Award** have included: Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy, Mathilda Cuomo, Betty Mahmoody, Christina Crawford, Dr. Joyce Brothers and Dr. Vincent Fontana.

I have enclosed some additional information about **Child Abuse Prevention Services** and its program arm, the **Child Safety Institute**. We hope that you will accept our invitation and make our event one of your stops in April 2000.

Sincerely,

Alane Fagin

Alane Fagin
Executive Director

Pres. of Board
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Susan Cheever

another honoree

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of Jewish Women.

To: Ruby
From: Elizabeth
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lot to celebrate in our country today.

But I hope that we will not rest and we will continue to do what we have learned to prevent child abuse and to remedy the terrible effects of it when it has occurred as soon as possible so that every child has the chance to reach his or her God given promise. This is an exciting time for those of us who care about children and their welfare. Because in the last several years we've made some big strides in laying down a foundation that communities can build on.

And I believe that if we continue in a positive, productive way, taking into account both the research and the common human experience that we all share about what makes a child who has been abused break that cycle, what helps prevent that abuse from occurring in the first place then we can continue to save lives, save families, and be worthy as adults in a nation that claims to care about children and needs to translate that claim into reality for every child.

Nicole:

Child maltreatment #s - Terry Lewis
Children's Bureau → 205-8668

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Alex Keenan - OMB

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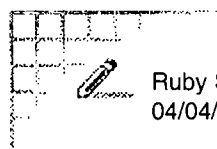
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Nick has HIPPA file →

Safe Kids Safe Streets Program
- community approach

5 site demonstration project

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~~Safe Kids Safe Streets Program~~



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One dozen young people
are killed by
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To: Heather H. Howard/OPD/EOP@EOP

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Subject: Re: child abuse

Thanks for this. Here are a few questions and places where I need your help:

I didn't really understand what I should do with the Justice Grants part. Is that a new proposal or is it something we already fund? So I didn't include it yet. Also, for CAPE can't we say "last month"? Finally, I'm wondering if you can check on a few things:

Is there something we want to say about this?

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And, if we don't talk about early learning fund, what should we talk about in terms of things we are pushing Congress on this year.

And lastly, do we know if we are still talking about Juv Justice in this way? Maybe you could check with Leanne or Deanne.

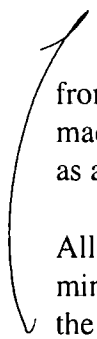
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Thanks much!

Support the Hoyer-Greenwood Alternative: The Only Way to Ban “Late-Term” Abortion

✓ **Roe’s Careful Balance.** *Roe v. Wade* struck a careful balance between the right of women to choose abortion in the early stages of pregnancy and the state’s interest in protecting potential life after viability. Prior to fetal viability, the abortion decision resides with the woman, in consultation with her doctor and within the context of her own religious and moral beliefs. After fetal viability, states may ban abortion as long as the woman’s life and health are protected. In fact, 41 states have laws that address abortion after viability.

✓ **H.R.3660 Guts *Roe*.** H.R.3660, the “Partial-Birth” Abortion Ban, will not allow a physician to protect a woman’s health, bans a variety of safe abortion procedures used pre-viability, and forces doctors to use procedures that may be less appropriate and safe for the woman.

✓ **However, Like *Roe*, Hoyer-Greenwood Strikes a Careful Balance.** Hoyer-Greenwood is a federal ban on all post-viability (“late-term”) abortions, except those needed to preserve the woman’s life or to avert “serious adverse health consequences.” This bill would ensure that a healthy woman could not terminate her pregnancy in the 7th, 8th, or 9th month if she is carrying a healthy fetus.

✓ **The Hoyer-Greenwood Health Exception is Narrow.** Some claim that the Hoyer-Greenwood exception to protect the woman’s health is too broad. Don’t be fooled. “Serious adverse health consequences” will ensure that only those “late-term” pregnancies which pose a genuine threat to a woman’s health may be terminated.

✓ **A Physician’s Judgment is Trustworthy.** Doctors who perform abortions are just that – doctors. They are bound by the same laws and ethical standards as are all other medical professionals. Hoyer-Greenwood would require the doctor to determine – under the threat of litigation and civil penalties – whether continuing a pregnancy posed a serious threat to the woman’s health.

✓ **This Legislation Could Become Law.** The president has stated repeatedly that he would sign legislation banning post-viability abortions if exceptions were included to protect a woman’s life and to avert “serious health consequences.” H.R.3660 faces a certain veto; the Hoyer-Greenwood bill meets the president’s standard.

FOUR REASONS WHY THE FEDERAL ABORTION BAN IS BAD PUBLIC POLICY

(S. 1692/HR 3660 — The "Partial-Birth" Abortion Ban Act)

- **The bill does not contain an exception to protect women's health.** Currently, the bill includes only a narrow exception to protect the life of the woman, jeopardizing those women who may need an abortion to protect their health. Proponents of the bill have blocked several attempts to include a health exception even though the President has asked Congress to send him a bill that includes one.
- **Medical decisions should be made by patients in consultation with their doctors, not by the government.** The decision about abortion is a private, medical decision. This bill would prevent doctors and their patients from choosing what might well be the best and most appropriate medical treatment. The ban represents an unprecedented intrusion into the personal lives of Americans—from the halls of Congress right into the examination room.
- **The legislation is unconstitutional.** Most courts that have reviewed legislation banning so-called "partial-birth" abortion have found these bans unconstitutional for several reasons: First, the legislation is unconstitutionally vague because it does not rely on any medical definition of what is prohibited; second, it does not provide an exception to protect women's health; and third, it violates *Roe v. Wade* by banning procedures regardless of the gestational stage of the pregnancy. On September 24, 1999, the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the rulings of lower courts in Arkansas, Iowa, and Nebraska rejecting bans similar to the federal ban. Although the 7th Circuit, in a 5 to 4 decision issued on October 26, 1999, upheld the Illinois and Wisconsin bans, it did so only after ordering the lower courts to issue "precautionary injunctions" limiting enforcement of the bans to a single type of procedure, despite the absence of limiting language in the statutes. The U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to rule on the constitutional issues this summer, and Congress should await the Court's ruling before taking further action.
- **The bill is deceptive and represents a first step toward the banning of all abortion, at any stage of pregnancy.** Anti-choice groups have unabashedly proclaimed their intent to use the so-called "partial-birth" abortion issue as a strategy to ultimately ban all abortions:

*"[Gary Bauer] likes the approach of seeking a ban on all abortions in the ninth month of pregnancy, then the eight, and so on. *You*d probably get down to the fourth month before you had a close vote ... , * [said Bauer]. In the end though, Bauer favors a campaign to ban second and third-trimester abortions."*

— from "Beyond Partial-Birth," by Fred Barnes, *The Weekly Standard*, July 6-13, 1998

"By going after partial-birth abortions, we're trying to show the extreme, radical view of the pro-abortion lobby. But no, that procedure isn't what we care most about. Our goal is to stop the killing of unborn children at any stage of development."

— John Jakubczyk, General Counsel, Arizona Right To Life, as quoted in *The Arizona Republic*, "Effort to Ban *Partial-Birth* Wins By Losing," by Steve Wilson, 9/27/96

The Supreme Court decision in the case of *Roe v. Wade* struck a careful balance between the right of women to choose abortion in the early stages of pregnancy and the states' interest in protecting potential life after viability. *Roe* stated that prior to fetal viability, the abortion decision must reside with the woman, to be made in consultation with her doctor and within the context of her own religious and moral beliefs. After fetal viability, *Roe* allows states to ban abortion as long as the woman's life and health are protected. NARAL supports this careful balance and rejects attempts to restrict abortion in any manner that undermines the basic tenets of *Roe*.



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Subject: RULES COMMITTEE AND FLOOR VOTE ON "PARTIAL-BIRTH" BAN

Lauren & Heather -- Rules Committee meets in 30 minutes to decide what, if any, amendments will be allowed on the floor. It appears that Reps. Steny Hoyer, Nancy Johnson, Jim Kolbe, and maybe Barney Frank will testify before Rules Committee. It is unlikely that the Republican Leadership will allow any Members the opportunity to offer amendments during House floor debate. We will be allowed a motion to recommit before final passage. Members are still debating over whether to offer the Hoyer-Greenwood alternative or the Frank physical health exception for the motion to recommit. When the decision is made I will let you know.

Greenwood's office asked us to draft the attached one-pager for them to distribute on the House floor. As you will notice we did not put NARAL's name on the document, so please keep the fact that we drafted it confidential. I thought it would be helpful for you to see what will probably be handed out on the floor during debate, along with the Administration's letter to Hoyer in support of the Hoyer-Greenwood alternative.

(See attached file: hoyergreenwood-onepager.400.doc)

Additionally, I have attached a piece we did for the press called four reasons why the federal abortion ban is bad public policy.

(See attached file: Pba4way.2)

Call me if you need any more information.

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Heather Howard

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 27, 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

Eileen McCaughey/Maureen Hudson
for DAN BURKHARDT

SUBJECT:

(Draft Proclamation)
National Child Abuse Prevention
Month, 2000

Attached for your review is the above-mentioned proclamation designating April, 2000 as "National Child Abuse Prevention Month, 2000."

It was submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services through the Office of Management and Budget and edited/revised by the Presidential Letters and Messages Office.

IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED. Written or oral response required by no later than 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 28, 2000. IF WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM YOU BY 5:00 P.M., WE WILL ASSUME THAT THE DRAFT IS ACCEPTABLE TO YOU.

For questions, discussion, or routine clearance, contact Eileen McCaughey, extension 65494, or Maureen Hudson, extension 65902, via phone or interoffice mail, in room 91. Thank you.

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you deal w/ this?

cc: Tim Saunders

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NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, 2000

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

Children are our link to the future and our hope for a better tomorrow. Within a few short years, we will look to today's children for the vision, strength, creativity, and leadership to guide our Nation through the challenges of this new century. If they are to grow into healthy, happy adults and responsible citizens, we must provide our children with the love, nurturing, support, and protection they need and deserve.

But many of America's children are not safe, even in their own homes. The statistics are staggering. Every year, there are nearly one million reported incidents of child abuse; and even more appalling, more than 2,000 of these incidents result in the child's death. Whether suffering neglect, harsh physical punishment, sexual abuse, or psychological trauma, the children who survive will carry the scars of their abuse for the rest of their lives.

The most effective and compassionate means of reducing child abuse is prevention. We now know that there are a variety of risk factors that contribute to child abuse and neglect -- including parental substance abuse, lack of parenting skills and knowledge, domestic violence, or extreme stress -- and there are practical measures and programs we can use to mitigate such factors. Social service providers can offer substance abuse programs for adults with children; schools can offer educational programs to share parenting skills with teen mothers or teach children how to protect themselves from sexual predators; faith organizations can offer respite care for parents of children with special needs; and employers can introduce family-friendly policies, from child care to parental leave to flexible work schedules, to reduce the stress on working families.

Keeping children safe is a community responsibility, and prevention must be a community task. Every segment of society must be involved, including health and law enforcement

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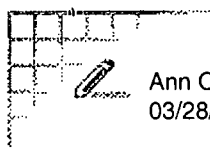
professionals, schools, businesses, the media, government agencies, community and faith organizations, and especially parents themselves. Teachers and physicians need to recognize the symptoms of child abuse; parents need to ask for help in overcoming addictions or controlling violent behavior; communities must be willing to fund programs and services to protect children from abuse; the media needs to raise public awareness of the availability of those programs and services.

My Administration is committed to doing our part to ensure the health and well-being of all our Nation's children. We have worked to increase funding at the State level for child protection programs and family preservation services. Working with the Congress, we have created the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, the Safe and Stable Families Program, the Adoption and Safe Families Act, and the Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act. Through these and other measures, we continue our efforts to create a society where every child is cherished and no child bears the lasting scars of abuse or neglect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim April 2000 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. I call upon all Americans to observe this month by demonstrating our gratitude to those who work to keep our children safe, and by taking action in our own communities to make them healthier places in which children can grow and thrive.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
day of , in the year of our
Lord two thousand, and of the Independence of the United States
of America the two hundred and twenty-fourth.

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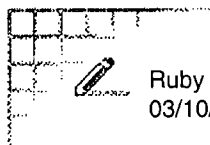
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**Office of the Press Secretary
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April 1, 1998

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, 1998

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

All of us at one time or another have been shocked by news reports about a child who has been abused, neglected, or abandoned. Unable to comprehend such a betrayal of trust, we find ourselves hoping that these incidents are isolated and rare. The most recent reports from State child welfare agencies, however, confirm that one million cases of substantiated child abuse or neglect occur in our Nation every year. Of these cases, more than a thousand children -- many under the age of four -- do not survive; and most die at the hands of a parent or other family member. As a caring society that cherishes our children, we must work together to protect these little ones who cannot protect themselves.

Two of our greatest resources in the crusade against child abuse and neglect are knowledge and compassion. We must raise public awareness that these cases, while often hidden, can occur in any family and community in America. As responsible adults, we must learn more about the signs of child abuse so that we may report suspected incidents as soon as possible. We must support community programs that help to identify families at risk and intervene before abuse becomes deadly. As individuals and as members of our communities, we need to support services, pro-grams, and legislation that will help to relieve the stresses on families that can sometimes lead to violence. We must strengthen the partnerships among schools, social service agencies, religious organizations, law enforcement, and the business community so that child abuse prevention efforts will be comprehensive, swift, and effective.

Backing up such efforts at the State and local level, my Administration is focusing Federal attention and resources on combating child abuse and neglect. We are supporting family- based prevention services that help at-risk families reduce violence in the home. We also are continuing to give the States resources to build and maintain strong protection systems for children in danger. And for those children who cannot remain safely at home, we worked with the Congress to enact the Adoption and Safe Families Act, which makes it easier to place at-risk children more quickly into a permanent and secure environment.

This month, as Americans celebrate spring and its promise of new life, let us reaffirm our commitment to the lives of our Nation's children. I encourage communities across the country to join together to raise awareness of the tragedy of child abuse, to learn more about what we can do to help end such abuse, and to strengthen efforts to support children and their families before the cycle of abuse can begin.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United

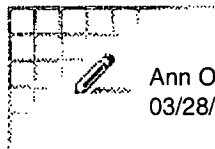
States, do hereby proclaim April 1998 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. I call upon all Americans to observe this month by resolving to take every appropriate means to protect our children from abuse and neglect, to restore their shattered trust, and to help them grow into healthy, happy adults.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this first day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-second.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

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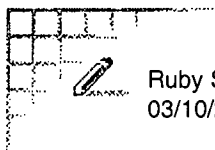


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NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, 1999

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

Children bring happiness to our lives and hope to our future; they are our greatest joy and our most important responsibility. Whether as loving parents or concerned citizens, we must do everything we can to nurture them, protect them, raise them in an atmosphere of love and respect, and create for them an environment in which they can grow into healthy, well-adjusted, and productive adults.

Tragically, however, statistics confirm that not all of America's children enjoy the benefits of a safe, loving home. Instead, hundreds of thousands of children each year suffer abuse and neglect, most often at the hands of their own parents or other family members. The horrors of physical or emotional trauma deny these young people their childhood, and our abused children carry the psychological scars of their mistreatment throughout their lives. Worse yet, for some -- particularly those under 3 years old -- the abuse they endure is fatal.

My Administration is committed to promoting effective policies and innovative programs to protect children from harm and to mitigate the stresses on families that can ignite violence in the home. We have implemented a comprehensive agenda that includes increased funding at the State level to ensure that maternal and child health programs are expanded to include child protection, family preservation, and support; we have released prevention grants for community-based family services in all 50 States; and we have worked with the Congress to pass the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, and the National Child Protection Act of 1993, all of which support child abuse prevention efforts in State and local jurisdictions.

Yet government programs alone cannot prevent child abuse. As a society that cares about the health and well-being of our children, we must forge caring, cooperative alliances that include government as a partner, but also involve schools, community organizations, businesses, religious groups, and especially parents and family members themselves -- indeed, everyone who has a stake in the future of American families. During this special month, as we focus our Nation's attention on the disturbing problem of child abuse, let us remember that behind every heartbreaking statistic is a child whose health, happiness, and future depend on our ability to recognize the signs of abuse and our refusal to tolerate abuse in our homes and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim April 1999 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. I

call upon all Americans to observe this month by demonstrating our gratitude to those who work to keep our children safe, and by taking action in our own communities to make them healthier places in which children can grow and thrive.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this first day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-third.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

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