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AN ORGANIZATION FOR FAMILIES

Mark Amodei, Chair  
Senate Judiciary Committee  
Nevada State Senate  
Nevada State Legislature  
Legislative Building  
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May 1, 2003

Dear Chairman Amodei and Senate Judiciary Committee Members;

Hello. My name is Joni Kaiser. I am co-founder and Executive Director of the Committee to Aid Abused Women, (CAAW), An Organization For Families, in Washoe County. I am here today to support A.B. 160.

A.B. 160 is designed to enhance the safety of domestic violence victims in at least three ways: 1) improving a court's ability to enforce child support orders issued as part of an Extended Order for Protection by assignment of income; 2) improving a court's ability to protect a victim's identity and location by sealing the record of a name change and 3) protecting the principle of privileged communication between victims and their advocates. Financial independence is a primary factor in allowing a victim to remain free of an abusive relationship after obtaining a protection order. Forcing a victim of domestic violence to publish a name change is highly intrusive on the safety of an individual/ family. In this age of the internet, it has become even more difficult for a victim to remain hidden from an abuser. Confidentiality of personal victim information must be preserved to avoid the release of the information to parties who do not have the best interest of the victim at heart. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.



**PROTECTION ORDER ADVOCATE'S OFFICE**  
**PROTECTION ORDER STATISTICS**  
**5-YEAR COMPARATIVE FISCAL YEAR REPORT**  
**1997-'98, 1998-'99, 1999-'00, 2000-'01 and 2001-'02**

<b>TEMPORARY PROTECTION ORDERS:</b>	<b>2001-'02</b>	<b>2000-'01</b>	<b>1999-'00</b>	<b>1998-'99</b>	<b>1997-'98</b>
Granted:	1,533	1,321	1,451	1,430	1,759
Denied:	62	82	109	124	166
Incomplete:	222	196	193	153	201
Hearing Set:	366	361	256	126	94
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF TPO APPLICANTS:</b>	<b>2,183</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>2,009</b>	<b>1,833</b>	<b>2,220</b>

<b>EXTENDED PROTECTION ORDERS:</b>	<b>2001-'02</b>	<b>2000-'01</b>	<b>1999-'00</b>	<b>1998-'99</b>	<b>1997-'98</b>
ORDERS TO MODIFY:	1,505	1,173	746	643	242
ORDERS TO SHOW CAUSE:	366	313	356	401	618
ORDERS TO DISMISS:	114	83	252	290	431
	305	195	113	160	306

<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF RELATED ORDERS:</b>	<b>2,290</b>	<b>1,764</b>	<b>1,467</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>1,597</b>
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<b>MINUS MULTIPLE REQUESTS:</b>	<b>(153)</b>	<b>(88)</b>	<b>(163)</b>	<b>(234)</b>	<b>(342)</b>
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<b>TOTAL MOTIONS FILED:</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>1,676</b>	<b>1,304</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>1,255</b>
<b>TOTAL MOTIONS AND ORDERS:</b>	<b>4,320</b>	<b>3,636</b>	<b>3,313</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>3,475</b>

<b>MONTHLY AVERAGE:</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>290</b>
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<b>FOLLOW-UP:</b>					
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Suspected Child Abuse Reports:	100	99	116	84	167
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Volunteer Hours:	1,067	950	912	989	1,144
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Walk-in Contacts:	6,731	6,412	7,230	5,943	5,925
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Additional Client Contacts:	2,411	2,776	3,917	2,850	2,450
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Ans.Svc./Voice Mail Contacts:	2,445	2,585	3,740	3,619	4,072
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<b>TOTAL CONTACTS, MOTIONS, &amp; ORDERS:</b>	<b>9,176</b>	<b>8,997</b>	<b>10,970</b>	<b>9,562</b>	<b>9,997</b>
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<b>Full-Time Equiv. Staff:</b>	<b>4.0FTE</b>	<b>3.8FTE</b>	<b>4.5 FTE</b>	<b>4.5 FTE</b>	<b>4.75 FTE</b>
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<b>Washoe Co. Dept. Soc. Svc. Grant:</b>	<b>\$73,000</b>	<b>\$73,000</b>	<b>\$73,000</b>	<b>\$63,000</b>	<b>\$63,000</b>
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