



We Save Lives.org

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Hon. Trent Franks
Washington, DC Office
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Dear Congressman Franks,

We Save Lives is a collaborative organization with more than 50 partners from around the world who support the 3 D's, drugged, drunk and distracted driver. I am also the founder of MADD and started the battle for victims' rights many years ago. Despite great strides in the victims' rights movement it saddens me to think that we still have a long way to go before we treated fairly and with dignity and respect by the criminal justice system. All too often I hear from victims of impaired driving crimes, about continued delays in their court cases, lack of notice of plea or sentencing hearings, non-responsive prosecuting attorneys, and, in many cases a complete lack of respect for the tragedy and pain they have endured. They are definitely not on a par with the rights of the accused and convicted. HJR45, the Victims' Rights Amendment is a solution to these injustices. On behalf of all of our US partners, We Save Lives supports HJR 45.

We applaud your efforts in seeking justice for all victims of crime through a constitutional amendment that will ensure we are treated with the dignity and respect we are entitled throughout the criminal justice proceedings. We urge your fellow congress members to support HJR 45.

Thank you,

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Founder of MADD