



Honorable Trent Franks  
U. S. House of Representatives  
2435 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

April 23, 2015

Dear Representative Franks,

NOVA, the nation's largest and oldest victim advocacy organization, strongly endorses H.J.R. 45, the proposed federal constitutional amendment for victims' rights.

Crime victims continue to endure trauma not only at the hands of criminals, but also because of a criminal justice system that still today treats them with indifference or worse. Victims still today are denied notice of proceedings, the right to be present at proceedings, and the right to be heard at critical stages. The amendment will end these injustices and bring balance to our justice system.

We urge Congress to pass the amendment and send it to the States for ratification.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marsha Probst". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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