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Honorable Jackie Speier

RE: H.R. 4472 (Speier) - Ending Nonconsensual Online User Graphic Harassment Act of 2017" or the "ENOUGH

Act" - SUPPORT

Dear Congresswoman Speier,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for your H.R. 4472 ("ENOUGH Act") addressing distribution of a private, visual depiction of an individual's intimate parts or of an individual engaging in sexually explicit conduct, with reckless disregard for the individual's lack of consent to the distribution, and for other purposes. SBWPC's mission is dedicated to furthering gender equality and other feminist values through political and social action and educational activities. Our organization is one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with over 400 members. We advocate for a diverse set of positions, which include Crimes Against Women (http://sbwpc.org/positions/).

We support the ENOUGH Act because the crimes that throughout the course of history have been perpetrated against women must be stopped. These crimes include sexual harassment and exploitation. Crimes against women cross all socioeconomic backgrounds, races, nationalities, cultures, and ages. Crimes against women have at their root an intersection between sexism and other forms of oppression. They are unconscionable, therefore unacceptable and the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee is committed to ending these crimes. Women and girls are the primary victims of sexual and domestic violence; however, these crimes are perpetrated against men and boys as well.

The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee regards H.R. 4472 as an important step forward in preventing crimes against women. Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of the bill.

Thank you for reviewing our organization's position on this issue. Should you wish to communicate further with us, please email us at info@sbwpc.org or visit our website: www.sbwpc.org

Sincerely,

Catherine Swysen, President SBWPC

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