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On March 10, 1990 at their regular meeting, the Ventura County Commission for Women unanimously endorsed Child Abuse Prevention Programs being conducted by the Rape and Sexual Abuse Center in Ventura county and we are writing to ask you to restore full funding for the Child Abuse Prevention Training Act of 1984 (CAPTA).

We support the programs funded under this act because:

- Prevention of child abuse and abduction is an efficient and effective use of government funds.
- Prevention through state-wide efforts significantly reduces the incidence of abuse.
 - Prevention programs in Ventura County have educated 100,000 children, and 7,000 parents and teachers in the majority of the public schools since December 1985.
- Prevention programs are making a critical difference, as young persons have actively demonstrated skills learned, which indirectly reduced actual incidences of abuse.
- Prevention programs are our best hope of bringing this problem under control.

We thank you for your support of these programs in the past and urge you to continue supporting them in the future.

Sincerely,

Ventura County Commission for Women Bonnie Warrington, Administrative Aide

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