



National Organization of
Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc.

For the families and friends of those who have died by violence.

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Chairman John Conyers, Jr.
2426 Rayburn
House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Conyers,

On behalf of the National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc (POMC), I am writing to express our strong support for HR 5503, the Securing Protections for the Injured from Limitations on Liability Act, which would correct the antiquated Death on the High Seas Act (DOSHA).

POMC is one of the largest and oldest victim services organizations in the United States. Each year our national office receives over 100,000 requests for assistance. POMC's mission is to make a difference through on-going emotional support, education, prevention, advocacy, and awareness. POMC was founded in 1978, in Cincinnati Ohio and is headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, and is the only national self-help organization designed solely to offer emotional support and information about surviving the murder of a loved one. POMC has grown to a national organization with 60 chapters throughout the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico that provide assistance and support to over 100,000 survivors each year.

Recently, the Senate unanimously passed S.588, the Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act, to take initial steps toward improving ship safety, improve responsiveness to crimes committed at sea, and provide transparency in reporting these incidents. The House has already passed the companion legislation, HR 3360, and we are hoping for final passage before the July recess. We implore you to please keep all tragedies at sea in mind as you move forward with HR 5503.

POMC stands with the International Cruise Victims Association in support of HR5503 in honor of those whose lives have been taken at sea. The voices of those victims cry out to you to hold those who commit heinous acts at sea be held accountable.

Very Truly Yours,

Dan Levey
National President