

Ban Female Genital Mutilation in Indiana

Subject: Protect Girls from Genital Mutilation in Indiana

I am a constituent of yours and I'm reaching out to ask that you sponsor a bill that would ban female genital mutilation (FGM) in our state. FGM is a form of gender-based child abuse and girls in Indiana remain unprotected by an anti-FGM law. Our elected officials need to prioritize this important issue.

The federal law that protected girls and women from FGM was deemed unconstitutional in 2018 and the ruling judge determined that it was instead up to the states to act.

There are 5,251 girls and women estimated at risk in our state. Even one is too many. I encourage you to act on their behalf and help institute state-level protections. This abuse can't be ignored any longer.

I care deeply about this issue, and I know others do as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration.