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My name is Neha Gill and I serve the 10th District on Cook County Commission on Women's Issues (CCCWI) in addition to being the Executive Director of Apna Ghar, Inc. an organization that serves immigrant, refugee and other marginalized survivors of gender-based violence, their families and communities.

I am writing in support of CCCWI's 2022 recommendations item #23-0553. These recommendations build on our recommendations from last year and call for continued investment in prevention and intervention programs, including but not limited to increased language access especially within our justice and healthcare systems. They also call for understanding the importance of providing trauma informed care and as such call for providing this training to existing providers, institutions and systems within the county, developing a trauma informed workforce to better support survivors and the systems they interact with in the long term.

We also call for the development of a county wide coordinated strategic plan to address gender-based violence and would be willing to help in this process in any way that we can.

Please feel free to contact me via email at ngill@apnagar.org or by phone at 773 883 4633 for any other information.

Sincerely,

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