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Thanks for White Ribbon Campaign

I would like to applaud the men of this community for their recent and continued support of the White Ribbon Campaign. The goal of this campaign was to have men take extra time to talk to other men and boys about ending violence against women. By modeling respectful behavior and teaching that real men don't hurt women, you are making an enormously positive impact on the lives of the boys who look up to you, not to mention other men who see your example.

Although we continue to see misperceptions about domestic violence, I am encouraged by the men who have stepped up to voice their knowledge, those who have educated themselves with the facts, and those who have expressed their opposition to this type of abuse. Domestic violence is not about anger management — it is about power and control. This is not about men versus women. It's about men working with women. This campaign is about raising awareness of the dynamics of domestic violence and getting the entire community involved in the solution. Domestic violence can be stopped, but it is going to take the men and women of our community, working together to create a united community that does not tolerate domestic violence.

Thank you, men, for showing your support. Let's turn this shortterm campaign into an enduring one that will last as long as it takes to end domestic violence. For more information, please visit www.LongmontDomestic Violence.org.

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