

WOMEN GRADUATES–USA

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Resolution

Issue: End Violence Against Women

Resolution Title: Violence Against Women

Resolution Number: 2013.1.R8

Resolution Text:

Resolved, that Women Graduates USA assume leadership within their own communities to recognize and address the pervasive and devastating problems of violence against women as a major obstacle to women’s equality and take steps to

- 1. Promote legislative and appropriate administrative, social and educational measures required to protect women from violence in all its forms*
- 2. Support the Agreed Conclusions document related to the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (2013) related to “Violence Against Women in all its Forms”*
- 3. Work to support the end to violence against women wherever it occurs.*

Background and Rationale:

An estimated one in every three women worldwide experiences violence, with rates reaching as high as 70 percent in some countries. Gender-based violence ranges from rape to domestic abuse and acid burnings to dowry deaths and so-called “honor killings.”

Violence against women and girls — in peacetime and in conflict — knows no national or cultural boundaries. This year’s Committee on the Status of Women (CSW) meetings, cited the 2012 UN report by Rashida Manjoo, the Special Rapporteur on violence against women the world over, which shows that the rate of killings of men has been stable over the last decade but there has been an increase in the rate of killings of women.



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