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As a survivor of severe domestic abuse since I was a minor, there is nothing quite like it. It warps your world view entirely, making you feel that the person who has meticulously crafted the world you now live in is the one you need to rely on to survive. It is truly a hell unlike no other, and leaving these situations is almost impossible without outside intervention.

In my case, I would have been dead if I hadn't been removed from my situation when I was. We lose thousands of wonderful souls, kind and incredible men and women to domestic violence every year in the US, and we have every opportunity to help by intervening.

It is with this testimony that I urge you to make this bill law. I would not be here if it weren't for law enforcement, family, and friends all stepping in to help me - I hope this pays those actions forward.