



**EVERY  
WOMAN  
TREATY**

The next step  
in ending violence  
against women & girls.

Violence against women and girls is a global crisis, the most widespread human rights violation happening today. It occurs in all countries, across all races, and takes multiple forms. Globally, at least 1 in 3 women experiencing violence, that's 1.3 *billion* women around the world.

The problem is staggering, yet research shows this violence is *solvable*.

If nations implemented proven interventions, such as changing laws, hosting prevention education programs, and training police and healthcare workers, while also supporting victims, we could drastically lower rates of violence across the globe.

A global treaty has the power to do that. It will mandate that nations adopt these proven interventions, bringing about a global shift in the way nations and communities address violence against women.

Violence against women affects much of the work we do as Rotarians, from peace-building to water sanitation and other forms of community development. Ending violence against women would increase the effectiveness of the work we're doing.

This is why I'm inviting you to join me in signing onto the call for a global treaty to end violence against women and girls.

To do so, please take out your phone (pause while people do this.) Go to [www.everywoman.org](http://www.everywoman.org) and sign the People's Call to Nations directly from the homepage.

**While you sign I'll read you what the call says:**



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“I stand for a life free from all forms of violence for every woman and girl, everywhere. I hereby join the call for a Global Treaty to Eradicate Violence Against Women and Girls.”

By doing this, you have signed the People’s Call to Nations, a short version of the treaty calling on nations to end violence against women through a global treaty.