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The Honorable Mark E. Amodei  
Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

**RE: Support of SB17 (Wiener) Child Safety**

Dear Senator Amodei,

The Trauma Foundation is a non-profit organization based at San Francisco General Hospital. For the past 25 years, we have worked to prevent deaths and deaths due to injuries.

We believe that SB17 (Wiener), a bill supported by KIDS 'N CARS, is exactly what Nevada needs to encourage parents and caring adults from leaving children unattended in motor vehicles.

We base our support for his bill on two factors: 1) our data and personal experience shows how very deadly this can be; and 2) studies clearly show that public education is most effective when combined with legislation which reinforces educational messages, and provides a penalty for engaging in this dangerous behavior. This is what SB17 will do.

Please help us raise public consciousness about the dangers of leaving children unattended in vehicles by supporting SB17. Together, we can help protect Nevada's children.

Sincerely,

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