

RESTORING DIGNITY

Religions for Peace

As a person of faith, I am aware that my religion recognizes the fundamental dignity of every woman and man. I know—according to my religious tradition—that the true dignity of every woman is given by and rooted in the Sacred. This dignity is inviolable.

I recognize with deep sadness that violence against women is still prevalent. It occurs in public and in the privacy of the home. It is unspeakably hurtful to women and girls. It also damages families, communities, and ultimately all of us. Violence against women takes many forms, including domestic violence, rape and its use as a weapon of war, the practice of forced marriages of girl children, the bearing of the brunt of extreme poverty and the selective aborting of unborn females, among others.

Eliminating violence against women and girls is both a religious duty and personal obligation. Doing so will also nourish all of us for healthier and more fulfilling lives.

Therefore, I pledge personal action and practical leadership to restore the dignity of women and girls who have been violated.

I pledge to:

- **Respect the inviolable dignity of women and girls that is fundamental to my religious teaching.**
- **Promote efforts that support and protect survivors of violence against women.**
- **Actively advance public awareness and engagement of religious communities to address violence against women and girls.**
- **Reject any misuse of religion or culture to justify violence against women and girls.**
- **Lead by example to promote respectful relations among women and men, boys and girls.**

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