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HB 952/SB 870
In Support

I am in support of HB 952/SB 870/Noah's Law fix bill.

I am writing in memory of my 13 year old daughter, Janet Marie Hardy, who was killed by a repeat drunk driving offender. Janet's father is a retired Maryland State Trooper and I, her mother, continue to work as a Maryland State Nurse. Janet is also survived by her older sister, Jessica.

Janet was only 13 years old when her young life was ended in a horrific crash caused by a drunk driver. The drunk driver had been granted Probation Before Judgement just seven months prior for another drunk driving offense. Had the offender who killed my daughter been mandated ignition interlock to be installed on his vehicle, I would be able to hold my daughter today. But this is not the case.

As a mother, I am left to live the rest of my life without my child. I am left with only memories and heartbreak. The pain does not go away over time. Each day is one more that I have to live without her. This crash not only killed my child, but two others died and two others were seriously injured. Nothing will ever bring Janet back to her family but we do have the opportunity to prevent this from happening to other families. Offenders who knowingly choose to drink until impaired and then choose to drive need to realize there are consequences.

Janet, and Noah, deserve better.



Janet Marie Hardy 11/2/1989 – 10/26/2003