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**~~SB889 Testimony Favorable for SB889 Criminal Law - Distribution of Students' Personal Information -~~  
Prohibition**

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Chair William Smith, Jr.

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

2 East Miller Senate Office Building

Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

My name is Kimberly Syuardi and I am CAIR Maryland's Outreach Coordinator. I recently graduated from the University of Maryland, College Park. As a recent student and activist, I am here today to express my strong support for SB889. This bill is crucial to protect our youth from the detrimental effects of doxxing.

I have personally witnessed the severe harm that doxxing can inflict. Friends of mine have been targeted simply for speaking out on social and political issues. Their personal information—home addresses, phone numbers, and workplaces—was spread online without their consent. As a result, they faced relentless harassment, including death threats and online abuse that made them fear for their safety.

Many young people fear expressing their opinions or participating in civic engagement because they know that their personal information could be exposed and used against them.

No one should have to live in fear because their private information has been weaponized against them. Doxxing is not just an invasion of privacy—it is a form of intimidation that silences voices and puts lives at risk.

I urge you to support this bill to help protect people from being targeted, threatened, and silenced simply for existing or expressing their beliefs. SB889 is a crucial step in ensuring that individuals have legal recourse against this form of digital harassment and that those who engage in doxxing are held accountable. Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Sincerely,**

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