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[hold up copy of book cover] I have this copy of the cover of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s book, The Strength to Love, in front of me while I work on my computer.

From the Bible, paraphrasing, "God is Love and they that abide in Love, abide in God, and God in them."

During the lovely walk this morning from the Smithsonian Metra Stop to the Lincoln Memorial, a statement by Jane Adams to John Adams before he went to work on the Constitution or Bill of Rights came to mind, paraphrasing, "Arbitrary power like anything that is unyielding is doomed to failure."

It is my understanding that from 1776 to 1778, Thomas Paine published a series of articles under the title, *The Crisis*.

Here is a passage I treasure: quote

To argue with a man who has renounced the use and authority of reason, and whose philosophy consists in holding humanity in contempt, is like administering medicine to the dead, or endeavoring to convert an atheist by scripture.

I once felt all the kind of anger, which a man ought to feel, against the mean principles that are held by the Tories: A noted one, who kept a tavern at Amboy, was standing at his door, with as pretty a child in his hand, about eight or nine years old, as most I ever saw, and after speaking his mind freely as he thought was prudent, finished with his unfatherly expression, "*Well! give me peace in my day.*"

Not a man lives on the continent but fully believes that a separation must some time or other finally take place, and a generous parent should have said, "*If there must be trouble, let it be in my day that my child may have peace;*" and this single reflection, well applied, is sufficient to awaken every man to duty.

End of quote

My name is Dr. Sheila Mannix and I am the co-founder of Illinois Family Court Accountability Advocates, called IFCAA, which was created in June 2005 after myself and co-founder, Karyn Mehringer, were interviewed by an FBI Special Agent in Chicago regarding the criminal acts being committed against us and our children by alleged corrupt public officials in the family court located at the Richard J. Daley Center in downtown Chicago.

The only issue was how do we prove the criminal acts. - not whether criminal acts were being committed. These acts include extortion, bribery, fraud, coercion under duress, obstructing justice, harassment of witnesses including child witnesses, and child endangerment.

For one year, IFCAA compiled this evidence in the records of several exemplary cases in our local family court to prove the existence of a racketeering enterprise which, like your family courts, has specific overlapping actors and well-defined patterns of practice. In Illinois, the illicit patterns of practice of the state court actors meet the elements of criminal violations the Illinois Wrong to Children Act, specifically, a business which exploits children for financial gain. The patterns of practice also involve violations of other state and federal criminal laws including extortion and money laundering across state lines, fraud against the government, and theft of public services.

Exactly one year after co-founding IFCAA, in June 2006, we issued our first national press release through the company, BusinessWire, announcing that IFCAA had taken on the public corruption in the Cook County Family Court. The national response was staggering. But victims of family courts did not only contact us. Victims of probate courts and federal bankruptcy courts contacted us as well as victims of child protective services agencies. We were networked with victims of fraud in the arena of veteran's benefits.

And most important to my presentation today, we were networked with organized crime family informants.

Please understand that IFCAA members did not ask to become aware of organized crime informants. We did not ask for this cross to bear and become moms and dads against the mob. But we will shoulder this burden with honor and integrity on behalf of the suffering children of our nation and on behalf of our law enforcement officials, soldiers and veterans.

People say that we are crazy.

My response is that if you think that our belief in justice and our great US Constitution is crazy then you have made a statement about yourself, not me and my co-members of IFCAA.

People ask me if I am afraid.

And I respond, of course I am afraid, I'm not crazy!

But I am more afraid of waking up one day and looking in the mirror to see a woman who has sold her soul to this fear. And in the face of this fear, I just have to think of our suffering children and our suffering soldiers and veterans who are alone in the dark of night - wounded, abused, or wondering if their protective mom or dad or their country has abandoned them. And when I think of them, I am filled with indomitable courage to stand up to my moral and civil duty to them.

I ask you to stand up with me and my IFCAA co-members.

And I ask our federal criminal and legislative authorities to stand up with our civilian team because we are running low on food and water – and lawful ammo with the denial of IFCAA's federal action at the end of June.

And we need reinforcements with air support.

My statements today are made in good faith and for just cause and are warranted in law and in fact. It is my understanding and belief that I have a US Constitutional First Amendment Freedom of Speech Right to make my factual allegations here today. More importantly, I believe it is **my civil and moral duty as a citizen of the United States of America** to stand before you today and say what I am about to say in service of the suffering young children of our nation who have been sold to the highest bidder by verifiably corrupt public officials and also in service to the adult children of our nation, our soldiers, our veterans, our law enforcement professionals, and our fire protection professionals who have put themselves in harms way with the belief that they are serving the citizenry when evidence indicates that many have put and are putting themselves in harms way because their lives have also been sold to the highest bidder by verifiably corrupt public officials.

Evidence indicates that these corrupt public officials are allegedly intimately involved with organized crime family enterprises.

Like many of you, IFCAA co-members and our associates have been and are still being targeted for false incarceration. [hold up document] As a result of a verifiably false police report initiated by a judge about whom IFCAA obtained evidence of alleged involvement with an organized crime family based in Maricopa County, Arizona, on August 17, 2006, a verifiably fraudulent Intelligence Bulletin was released and widely disseminated with mine and two other IFCAA co-members' drivers' license pictures across the top like a "WANTED POSTER." Our personal information was also turned over to the Illinois Statewide Terrorism Intelligence Agency.

Congress just passed an unconstitutional act that allows a branch of government to act without knowledge of any other branch of government. Specifically, without opposition of Democratic Leader Pelosi or Assistant Leader Durbin from Illinois, the Justice

Department can wiretap any American only on a suspicion of terrorism. In the last election, the democrats said the country gave a clear message that we wanted change. This wiretap act is not change. This [hold up Intelligence Bulletin again] is not change. This is more of the same, namely, the intentional and well-designed systematic eradication of our constitutionally-protected rights.

Like many of you, all the IFCAA co-members did was naively seek protection and relief from the court and then lawfully stand up to the crimes being committed against our children and ourselves by the public officials who have taken positions in the public trust and signed employment contracts funded by taxpayers dollars and who have taken Oaths of Office to uphold the US and state Constitutions.

Now, like so many of you, we are exemplary parents, professionals, and citizens, who have been defamed and criminalized for solely lawfully exercising our constitutional rights, and now IFCAA co-members have apparently been labeled as alleged domestic "terrorists" for it.

How can this be?

This staggering reality exists because there are two distinct types of organized crime that have infiltrated our government and resulted in widespread public corruption. One is systemic organized crime which is implemented and executed by specific actors in well-defined patterns of practice to exact the irreparable harms against our children and ourselves by corrupt public officials as addressed in Dr. Brown's and Dr. Moore's presentations.

My presentation is about the other type of organized crime, specifically, organized crime families' infiltration of our government resulting in widespread public corruption

Our nation's history is replete with the reality that organized crime families have had unlawful influence on public officials. It is well established that organized crime families can only function with the cooperation of corrupt public officials, whether that public official is the local head of a political party, an alderman, a police commissioner or a higher ranking public official.

However, organized crime families have historically engaged in illicit enterprises involving adults, for example, gambling and prostitution. The well-known movie series, The Godfather, dramatized the conflict within the mob expanding the illicit money-making enterprises into drug trafficking because of the danger it posed to children. So, even organized crime families historically held sacred the "family" on some level. But evidence now verifies that a new generation of organized crime families realized how lucrative child trafficking could be with the aid of corrupt elements in the US judicial system and other branches of government as well as directly through stealing government funds by virtue of a sophisticated system of identity theft and hacking into the INSLAW government software program called PROMIS. The Operation Family Secrets mob trial

currently underway in Chicago exemplifies my point. Family is no longer sacred to organized crime families and today the nation's children are literally a marketable commodity accessed through our nation's judicial system.

So from the significant national response to the IFCAA press release, it quickly became clear to us that a similar set of actors and similar patterns of practice in well-defined local racketeering enterprises were operating in any court in which access to private, corporate, and/or government funds could be accomplished by court agents working in concert with each other. Specifically, the alleged corrupt judges, attorneys, and court-appointed agents, for example, US Trustees in federal bankruptcy courts, guardian ad litem in probate courts, and child attorneys in family court, working as a team. Alleged crimes include extortion, bribery, coercion under duress, fraud, and money laundering. This included the alleged court-sanctioned theft of corporate pension funds in federal bankruptcy court. The most well-known case being the United Airlines bankruptcy case in Chicago.

Further, evidence indicates that massive theft of public services and fraud against the government is being perpetrated in state and federal agencies involving federal funds for veterans' benefits, child protective services agencies, and other Health and Human Services federal funding, which was addressed in a number of other presentations today.

We became aware through extensive networking with other individuals and organizations across the country that many other people and grassroots organizations were already aware of this systemic public corruption and had been fighting it for decades – but could not stop it. In fact, it had only become more entrenched and widespread with each administration paving the way for unchecked abuses of power and the undermining of constitutional rights. IFCAA has personally experienced and has received multiple reports that FBI investigations were stopped at the doorsteps of US Attorney's Offices across the nation.

So, most importantly, after the release of the national press release, IFCAA was connected with organized crime informants regarding an organized crime family in Arizona who are apparently involved in a national racketeering enterprise networked with other territorialized organized crime families allegedly involved in the infiltration of the US Judicial system on the state and federal levels as well as involved with other areas of government and with other high ranking public officials. The evidence obtained from organized crime informants has crystallized a key part of the problem and a key part of the solution.

Please understand that IFCAA has assisted co-members in Chicago file well-pled pleadings in good faith and for just cause warranted in law and in fact that have attached as an exhibit just one document obtained from the organized crime family informants and judges have quit the bench and/or removed themselves from cases immediately. The Chief Judge of the Federal Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District in Chicago stepped down as chief judge on July 1, 2007 I believe as a direct result of the actions of a co-

member of IFCAA in partnership with the United Airlines Pilots Association. Yes, just as some of you have lost your children to suicide because of illegal state court interference in your families, our nation has reportedly lost 19 retired ex-military UA pilots to suicide due to alleged criminal acts that resulted in the loss of their pensions in the aforementioned UA bankruptcy proceedings in Chicago.

So a key part of the problem dictates a key part of the solution, specifically,

The apparent cooperation of alleged corrupt public officials and their criminal counterparts must be countered with an equal and opposite cooperation of our state and federal criminal and legislative authorities due to a **Jurisdictional Pandora's Box**.

Simply put, jurisdiction is the power of a civil or criminal authority to do something in their official capacity.

So for example, a district Assistant US Attorney like Asst US Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald cannot prosecute a state family court judge if he knows that the involvement of higher ranking officials over whom he lacks jurisdiction will be exposed.

Only the US Congress and the US Attorney General here in DC have the jurisdiction to take on the public corruption in our federal executive and judicial branches of the federal government.

Only our state legislatures and local district Assistant US Attorneys have the jurisdiction to take on the public corruption in our state executive and judicial branches. And this corruption includes some of our state governors and state attorney generals.

The key part of the solution I am targeting in my presentation this afternoon is exemplified by the current senate judiciary hearings exposing an apparent unlawful influence of the White House on US Attorney General Gonzales and the alleged political pressure brought to bear on what cases our local Assist. US Attorney's can prosecute.

Please do not mistake what I am saying for a "conspiracy theory." I am a PhD-level clinical psychologist and trained research scientist.

Number One: The use of the word, "conspiracy" is not an indication of "paranoia." It is an indication of CRIME.

Number Two: I am not talking about a theory or hypothesis. Factual allegations have been asserted and material evidence and occurrence witnesses are at hand to prove the allegations in every state and on the federal level.

The fact that the White House directed a witness subpoenaed by the US Senate to act in contempt of this federal authority which has jurisdiction over the White House supports my point.

From my analysis of the facts and evidence, a most critical solution is the initiation of hearings in every state that mirror Senator Leahy's federal senate judiciary hearings, specifically, state judiciary committee hearings targeting the exposure of the alleged illegal influence and/or collusion of each state's executive, judicial, and legislative branches of government which is preventing the prosecution of public corruption in the judicial branches of government that is a key factor in equations of the unchecked abuses of power in the nation's family courts and elsewhere.

But I am not suggesting hearings on the taxpayers tab that are rendered impotent by unlawful acts by executive branches of state government.

We need state legislatures to impeach the corrupt state court judges, governors, and attorney generals who are not doing their jobs because they are found to be involved in illicit acts as a result of the state-level hearings.

We need our district federal courts to enter temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions against the nation's state family courts in every state pending state judiciary hearings and then order permanent injunctions with significant sanctions in those states in which judicial crimes are proven.

The Temporary Restraining Orders must include the freezing of all family court judges' assets and the ordering of a forensic audit of the judges' financial holdings to establish if their mandatory Economic Interest Disclosure Statements reconcile with these holdings. Evidence indicates that many will not match up.

This is not about preventing federal government interference in traditional state court interests or preventing federalism. I assert that the Domestic Relations Exception is unconstitutional in the face of the abundant material evidence of criminal state court interference in federally-protected civil rights and liberty interests including parenting rights and property rights such that the US Congress under the Anti-Injunction Act has already bestowed upon our district federal courts the authority to order injunctions against state courts to aid in its federal jurisdiction to stop the deprivations of our civil rights under the color of law.

One could argue with confidence that in the face of the abundant material evidence of criminal state court interference in federally-protected parenting rights and property rights that tens of thousands of cases fall squarely within the exceptional circumstances of the Younger Absention Doctrine, specifically, for prosecution in bad faith in a pattern of harassment against citizens, including the nation's children, for whom the US Supreme Court ruled US Constitutional rights apply equally as for adults.

This is not about a separation of powers. I contend that those with the authority to act irresponsibly abdicate their duty to act by claiming the principle of separation of powers.

This is about the democratic principle of checks-and-balances.

One could argue with confidence that the Founding Fathers did not give the legislative branch impeachment power over the executive and judicial branches in the face of anticipated abuses of power on a whim. It is this power and solid jurisdictional authority to act that must be engaged to help stop the crimes being committed against our children and ourselves by corrupt public officials.

More than enough evidence has been turned over and is available to warrant immediate state and federal government interventions beginning with government immunity and protection for organized crime informants to come in to give testimony at the current federal Senate Judiciary Committee Hearings which can open the door to the state-level hearings I am recommending.

I repeat my recommendation and specifically direct my statement to US Senator Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, who on January 4 of this year stated:

“Wiretaps, when appropriately requested and authorized, are an important method for agents and prosecutors to gain evidence of corrupt activities, which can otherwise be next to impossible to prove without an informant.”

Senator Leahy, more than enough evidence has been turned over to you, sir, on January 18, 2007, and is available to you to warrant immediate state and federal government interventions beginning with government immunity and protection for organized crime informants to come in to give testimony at the current federal Senate Judiciary Committee Hearings which can open the door to the state-level hearings I am recommending.

In closing, as a research scientist and proactive pragmatist with an indomitable belief in the spiritual principles upon which our great US Constitution is based, which I believe, simply put, is to love one another and to love thy enemy for we are all atoms in the same molecule,

I contend that we will not be successful in our shared mission to stop illegal state court interference in our families unless the verifiable organized crime family infiltration in the executive, legislative, and/or judicial branches of our state and federal governments is addressed and, as a unified nation, we come together to hold sacred our global family.

Another FBI Special Agent gave me this specific instruction – quote - *"You must engage the politicians and media to stop the corrupt public officials from using the system to hurt you."* – end of quote.

I hope my presentation at our historic national rally today will help do just that – specifically -

ignite our state and federal politicians and the media to help us stop corrupt public officials from using the system to hurt us and, most especially, to stop using the system to hurt our nation's innocent children of all ages - here and abroad – for financial gain.

Onward for the children that they may have peace.

Failure is not an option.

Thank you.