

Good Morning Everyone:

Response for Tuesday has not been good. I am not sure if some are planning on coming and have just not replied or if some are thinking they will not make a difference because of the great turn out last time. I totally understand how difficult it is to work a trip to the Capitol in on a weekday, believe me I do. I have been very fortunate that my bosses have been so supportive in allowing me to take the time needed to work on **Matt's Law and other anti-hazing ventures, a lot of employers are not so understanding. But if there is anyway you can take Tuesday morning off and come show your support for this bill it could make all the difference in the world.**

If we don't make it through this committee our bill is dead and we will have to start all over again next year. So if at all possible please try to be there and bring a friend, your son or daughter another family member, lets just get some bodies in **red in the seats.**

I also wanted to let you know that Travis (Matt's little brother) and I took a trip to Chico yesterday to hear Joe Gonzales' speech. I have spoken of Joe in previous updates and you can find his story on Matt's site under Hazing Stories http://wemissyoumatt.com/HazingStories/Joe_Gonzales_040506.doc.

This was an incredible experience for all of us in attendance and we will be sharing it with all of you in the near future. Travis who was not looking forward to spending six hours in the car yesterday had tears in his eyes during parts of the presentation and said to me when it was over "Mom I am so glad I came, that was really good". I thought that was so great because Travis is in our targeted age group, I believe that 14 and 15 year old are who we need to reach before they start making those dangerous decisions.

Chico State University was kind enough to video tape the presentation for us and when we get a copy we will be putting it on Matt's site.

Thank you to everyone that has replied to me regarding next Tuesday's hearing whether you are able to make it or not. And thank you to everyone for your continued support I hope that many can make it on Tuesday but do understand that you have commitments you may be unable to get out of.

“Hug your children and tell them you love them everyday”

**Love,
Debbie, MM**

