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Letter to State Legislators

Subject: Thank You for Your Leadership and Our Commitment to Civility

Dear State Legislator,

In the wake of the tragic and senseless shootings in Minnesota that claimed the lives of Former Speaker of the House Melissa Hortman and her husband, Mark, and seriously injured State Senator John Hoffman and his wife, Yvette, we at the Community Associations Institute (CAI) are reminded of the critical importance of civility in public service.

Violence has no place in our democracy or in our communities. CAI members are committed to fostering civility at the most local level of governance; within the communities we call home.

At CAI, we represent the board members, homeowners, managers, and business partners who lead and support the 370,000 community associations across the country, including thousands right here in your state. These local communities thrive when built on mutual respect, shared responsibility, and strong relationships with public officials like you.

We are proud to work alongside you on the issues that impact housing, safety, infrastructure, and community governance. We pledge to continue our work as partners and stewards and we are committed to thoughtful dialogue, productive compromise, and civility in every interaction. At the most local level, in the neighborhoods and buildings where millions of your constituents live, we are working to model what it means to be good neighbors and responsible citizens. We are committed to lead and model communities that create space for respectful disagreement, collaborative solutions, and harmonious communities. To learn more about CAI's long-standing commitment to civility, visit our website [here](#).

We will continue to be good partners and thoughtful stewards as we work with you on policy solutions that affect your constituents and our shared communities. Together, we can model the power of civility; one conversation, one policy, one community at a time.

With deep gratitude and respect,

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