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As the Executive Director of The Alliance for Safe Communities, I offer this "impact statement" based on Rhode Islander's views, and opinions brought forward to us regarding Olivia Passaretti's case.

Olivia Passaretti's case has made a dramatic impact on Rhode Islander's impressions of how safe our roads are and how safe our communities are. Rhode Islanders have deep and valid concerns regarding their safety commuting on our roads. Rhode Islanders see daily the rise of violent crime. They witness the increase in violent criminals committing heinous crimes and showing no remorse.

Olivia Passaretti's life was taken in a most brutal fashion. The way in which Olivia's life was taken has not escaped the attention of the people in our state.

Aramis Segura acted in a most vicious and evil fashion. Mr. Segura used a social media platform to broadcast his intent to cause mayhem and destruction on January 1st, 2022. Mr. Segura cowardly took flight from the scene of his carnage that night. Mr. Segura knew the extent of the damage he incurred when he sent Olivia's car careening off the highway, into the embankment, and into a ditch.

Mr. Segura's most despicable final act was not to just hide under a bed to evade arrest, but just prior, while on flight, when he posted the word "DONE" on social media, proudly declaring his accomplishment.

Rhode Islanders across the State have spoken to us at The Alliance for Safe Communities with all their concerns about violent criminals and safety on the roads. Mr. Segura serves as a "poster child" example of every person's fears as to what they may encounter on our roads and society.

I implore the court to sentence Mr. Segura with the most severe incarceration that is applicable to our laws given the severity of his crimes.

Rhode Islander's are demanding swift and severe justice. A family is destroyed, a community in distress, and a state awakened like a sleeping lion!

Rhode Islander's have matched their thoughts and words with peaceful and proactive actions through rallies and compassionate acts, "the likes" I have never witnessed in my years as an advocate.

I beseech our courts to meet the cries from all for justice, and with meaningful sentencing.

Respectfully,

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