

Chairperson Young and members of NYS Senate Assembly joint committee on [Gov.Cuomos](#) 2019 budget.

My name is Gary Greenberg I am a survivor and founder of Protect NY Kids. I come before this committee to be a voice for the millions of New Yorkers who have been sexually abused in New York State over the past 6 decades. I want my voices to represent all those murdered souls whose light went out too early. I was hung over an open elevator shaft with my head dangling with my feet and ankles held by an evil pedophile.

It has taken me much therapy and determination to put myself in a position where survivors along with your help can reduce the rates of children being abused in NY.

If you are sexually abused as a child you have a 100 percent chance of being an addict,an alcoholic, a suicide victims and meet an early death.

In New York State 150 kids are being sexually abused a day, 43,000 a year.

New York State is last in reforming child sexual abused laws.

The Gov and NYS Legislature should be ashamed of itself for not protecting our children from predators who commit heinous act on our children.

Please do not tell me victims forget,our courts will be overflowing or organizations will go out of business.

If you listened to the victims of Dr Nassar over the last 30 years so not one of these victims forgot what [Dr.Nassar](#) did to them when they were a child.

The predator who abused me admitted to abusing over 300 kids in a 4 decade period.

In 1996 when Louis Vanwie rain of terror was stopped by the Troy NY police department over 150 victims called the Troy police with vivid details of their abuse at the evil hands of Vanwie.

There was not one case that could be pursued by the police as the statue of limitations had long run out. In the 51 years following myself being abused not one thing has changed.

A child today has as much of chance of being abused as I had on a beautiful spring day in 1967.

The economic cost of the state to pay for health care costs for victims of child sex abuse is mind boggling The average cost is \$291,000 per victim .

The Gov has proposed a no SOL on criminal cases ,50 years from date of abuse on civil and a 1 year look back.

I fully support the Govs proposal . The raising of the age to 28 from 23 is insufficient .

The average victim does not come forward until their 40s.

93 percent of victims are from someone they know ,5 percent religious , and in my case I had a better chance of being hit by a car then being sexually abused while visiting my father at a hospital by an employee of that hospital.

It is in this committees power to support the Child Victims Act as the Gov has proposed.

In a recent Siena college research poll 76 percent of the public is demanding this legislature passes a Child Victims Act.

The Republicans and Catholics support the CVA 77 percent. I had the privilege to stand with Tarana Burke the #metoo founder at Stony Brook University Sunday with 500 cheering adults and have Tarana endorse the CVA.

This legislative body particular the NYS Senate must stop depriving victims of child sexual abuse justice and their day in court.

Predators must be stopped and you the legislators have to stop being the enablers.

The predators time is up. Pass the Child Victims Act ,now. Thank You.