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On Friday, June 24, 2022 while driving in West Hollywood near San Vicente and Santa Monica with my 92-year-old mother, I encountered a violent and terrifying incident.

As I entered an alleyway, Mr. Radimak drove toward us. He rolled down his window and began shouting repeatedly, “Back your effing car up, bitch—back the eff up,” as he continued advancing toward us and a nearby valet attendant. He threw a soda can which missed us and approached my vehicle, striking my window and threatening to kill me.

A valet attendant witnessed the entire incident and courageously intervened on behalf of my mother and me. In doing so, he became involved in a serious and bloody altercation. His actions protected us in a moment of real danger, and I consider him our guardian angel that day. God bless Armen for his bravery, and God bless my beautiful, loving, sweet mother, who passed away last evening at the age of 97, who was with me during this traumatic experience. I share this not only in her memory, but also for all victims of his rage. It is time for Mr. Radimak to be held accountable for his actions and to receive the mental health intervention he clearly needs.

Regarding the recent sentencing of Nathaniel Radimak in Hawaii, knowing that the justice system there took action brings a measure of relief. At the same time, it highlights a painful reality: one individual's criminal behavior can impact communities across multiple cities and states.

Yet this moment does not bring closure for some victims, including my 97-year-old mother and me here in Los Angeles, as well as many others who never received justice or restitution from California's judicial system. This contrast underscores a critical gap in accountability—one that leaves victims without the protection and recourse they deserve.

These are not abstract headlines; they represent deeply personal experiences that have caused lasting fear, tangible harm, and a profound loss of safety. This outcome should send a clear message about the seriousness of these offenses and the urgent need for stronger accountability, including consistent enforcement and meaningful restitution for victims.

My focus now is on healing and moving forward, and I will continue to advocate so that others do not have to endure the same experience.

Finally, I would like to thank Attorney Gloria Allred. I am deeply grateful for your exceptional advocacy. Your work has been instrumental in ensuring that victims are heard and taken seriously.

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