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Sisters,

I am confident that many of you have read about the atrocities that happened to young unwed mothers and their babies in Irish “homes” from 1922 through 1998 which were run by the Catholic Church and the Government in Ireland.

A Commission of Investigation was formed by the Irish Government in February of 2015 and a report was released in January of 2021. The release of the report opened many wounds for survivors who have struggled for years to receive information about their mothers or their children.

I have received requests from members that are survivors of this atrocity requesting action and support. I am working with our Legal Counsel and Tax Expert on the proper actions we can take.

To assist members of the LAOH that are victims of this atrocity, I have formed an Ad-Hoc Committee to provide information sharing and support among sisters. If you are a survivor, please email the Committee Chair, Terri Meyer at

laohirishmbhomes@gmail.com

The committee membership will be confidential. Members who wish to assist the Chair in forming coalitions with other survivors here and in Ireland, can help ensure that the survivors in America are assisted by the Irish Government through their programs.

Please share this information with all members so that they can be informed and part of the committee if they wish. If active participation is not your safe place, please consider signing up for updates from the Committee.

Together we are all stronger!