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Hello Nikki,

<<http://org.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=%2FmXBuj2dyYIEqP3pOuZnNms%2FXweKUY%2BW>>The Elton John AIDS Foundation (EJAF) remains singularly and fiercely committed to ending HIV/AIDS. One important issue remains a major barrier to achieving an end to HIV/AIDS – the existence of irrational, inhumane laws criminalizing any behavior by HIV-positive people that can be perceived to potentially transmit HIV.

These laws, enacted during the HIV panics of the 1980s, remain on the books in 31 states, have never protected anyone against HIV, have disrupted and damaged countless lives, created disincentives for people to be tested for HIV and disclose their HIV status to sexual partners, and must be changed.

For the past several years, EJAF has been increasing its support for projects focused on ending the criminalization of people living with HIV/AIDS. We awarded 12 grants totaling \$1.025 million to organizations working on these issues during 2015, and we will continue to make significant investments in such programs during 2016 and beyond until these laws have been removed from the books.

Learn more about the insidious dangers of HIV criminalization laws [here](#) <<http://org.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=xS%2FaXIicuEb%2BM%2FS8p5huZHhRsbZIEmnu>>, and then please show your support for our work by making a [generous contribution](#) <<http://org.salsalabs.com/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=bQJbd4QoyayCXU%2FuP%2BFemms%2FXweKUY%2BW>> to the Elton John AIDS Foundation. Join us in our efforts to end AIDS in our lifetime!

Sincerely,

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Scott Campbell

Executive Director

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