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(Original Signature of Member)

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To amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 to include the rural development voucher program as a covered housing program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ______

A BILL

- To amend the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 to include the rural development voucher program as a covered housing program, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "VAWA Protections for
- 5 Rural Women Act of 2019".

1 SEC. 2. COVERED HOUSING PROGRAMS.

2 Paragraph (3) of section 41411(a) of the Violence
3 Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12491(a)(3)) is
4 amended—

5 (1) in subparagraph (I), by striking "and" at
6 the end;

7 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (J) as sub-8 paragraph (K); and

9 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the fol-10 lowing new subparagraph:

"(J) rural development housing voucher
assistance provided by the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to section 542 of the Housing
Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1490r), without regard
to subsection (b) of such section, and applicable
appropriation Acts; and".