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Dear Dr. Haiman,

I wanted to write and thank you for your workshop at the NC La Leche League Conference at Santa Clara, I attended. "How Divorce Affects Children". I was very touched & very moved by your deep concern for children and your deep concern for us, the participants.

Thank God there are advocates as yourself, for children.

We spoke, you and I. I am the one who had the question about my son screaming every time he had to be left with his father and how everyone said "he is manipulating me!"

Thank you with all my heart for confirming what I truly believed. I only wish that I had had the strength to act upon what my instincts were telling me. Only with the birth of my second son did I finally learn to do that (act on my instincts).

He was the one sleeping and "melting" in my arms. You stated that he was so full of trust in his sleeping face. If I only could have bestowed the beautiful gift of motherly instinct on my 1st son in his early years.

I have so much more I could write and say I would fill countless numbers of pages. I mainly wanted to let you know how grateful I am to you. I need a great deal of courage right now in my life and I gained some from you.

Here I am in my second marriage and I am faced with it dissolving. I have tried with all my power since the conference to start the ground work for keeping the marriage together. I am failing.

My heart is breaking, but I will do what I need to do to keep my children safe, happy, loved and supported.

Once again, Dr. Haiman, thank you for making a difference.

Most Sincerely,