

know to try to prevent another life being lost this way senselessly. " # Rima's sister, Rana Abbas Taylor, told The Detroit News Thursday her family is grateful for Dingell's remarks as they try to find closure. # " As painful as this horrific tragedy has been, it brings us peace and hope that positive action is being taken to help prevent tragedies like this from ever touching another family, " Taylor said. " We are forever indebted for Congresswoman Dingell's support and action during a time that has paralyzed us. " # Taylor said the family hopes the bill will carry on their memory and legacy. # " When we broke the news of the Abbas Act to my parents yesterday evening, my father kept repeating ' If only we can save one life.' We are comforted by this news and hope that legislators across the country and car manufacturers in our own back yard will support this legislation and allow this bill to be our family's legacy, " she said. # Dingell said elders from the community approached her in tears at a memorial service for the family Monday, asking why Congress hasn't done something to stop drunken driving. # And a young classmate of one of the Abbas children asked Dingell why lawmakers hadn't required technology that would " save lives, " she said. # " And I had no good answer, " Dingell said. # The congresswoman said she will work with the auto industry and bipartisan colleagues to enact the legislation. # " I talked to Ford right away. They're helping me, " Dingell said in an interview, noting the automaker is part of the Dearborn community where Issam and Rima Abbas grew up.