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With her skinny little arms Jodi was the first of the Warrior Women to come into existence in response to the breaking of the Weinstein story and subsequent flood of other articles in the *New York Times*. She is underdeveloped, weak and unsure of how to protect herself. She is not even certain from which direction the threats are coming.

Many of us are no longer making excuses for men or giving leeway in hopes not alienating those in power, to avoid rocking the boat, or just “playing nice.” It is time to rock the damned boat, hell, sink it!

The cost of speaking up, however, has created a collective case of Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome. As we start stepping up to the plate, making demands for equality and accounting for past offenses, we are experiencing backlash and further discrimination. There is power and safety in numbers. These times are exciting, yet can leave us feeling vulnerable and fearful as we speak of our personal histories. Jodi represents that vulnerability.