Sample Phone Script:

1) My name is [your name], and I am a constituent from [city]. I am calling to urge you to reintroduce and support the Violence Against Women Act. The Violence Against Women Act is one of the cornerstones in America’s fight against domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. [Optional: VAWA is important to me, because . . .] Every VAWA reauthorization has been bipartisan and responsive to the identified needs of victims and survivors. This reauthorization can be no different. The Violence Against Women Act maintains critical protections for vulnerable communities, invests in evidence-based prevention, and makes meaningful changes to protect victims and survivors. Anything less, is unacceptable. I urge you to support the VAWA reauthorization.

2) My name is [your name], and I am a constituent from [city]. I am calling to urge you to support a reintroduced version of H.R.1585, the Violence Against Women Act of 2019. Texans deserve to be protected against sexual assault and domestic violence and to have access to safe housing. Domestic violence is a major epidemic in the US and Texas. It is imperative that the Senate pass a companion bill that supports programs that protect families and hold abusers accountable. It is with this urgency in mind that I ask you to help end the vicious cycle of violence and abuse in our communities and support H.R.1585, the Violence Against Women Act of 2019.

3) My name is [your name], and I am a constituent from [city]. I am deeply concerned about the status of the Violence Against Women Act of 2019 (VAWA). This piece of legislation provides funding for services throughout the country that help prevent and respond to domestic violence. It is imperative that the Congress pass a bill to reintroduce HR 1585 to support programs that protect families and hold abusers accountable. The safety and well-being of hundreds of thousands of victims and survivors are at stake. I urge you to sponsor and support a bill similar to HR 1585.