Appendix B Suggested introduction, reading and video for Khalida Brohi:

Introduction

For centuries women have been killed in the name of honor, a custom that Khalida Brohi refers to as "ego killings," a way of preserving mens' egos by controlling the women around them.

Brohi was the first girl in her village, located in the province of Balochistan, to go to school. She attended school in Karachi. In 2004, when Brohi was 16, a close friend became a victim of an honor killing. Her friend was killed because she wanted to marry a person she loved instead of someone her family chose. Brohi began to protest honor killings while she was in Karachi, but this only angered people and caused the tribal leaders to oppose her.

Brohi believes that honor, which has been misused in tribal areas of Pakistan, is actually essential to a growing and healthy society. By redefining and reclaiming honor, we can find ways to fight the crimes that use it. She fled Karachi in 2008.

Brohi recalls that in response, her father told her, "don't cry, strategize." Instead of openly protesting, she created the Sughar Empowerment Society, which is a non-profit organization which helps women in Pakistan learn skills related to "economic and personal growth." Sughar means "skilled, confident woman" in Urdu.

Suggested Video and Text:

<u>Redefining Honor to Fight Honor Killings</u> (TEDx– Khalida Brohi) (11min Video) <u>Seeking a Strategy That Works</u> (Article from Facing History on how Khalida Brohi began changing attitudes towards women and honor)