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Governor Signs Domestic Violence Legislation to Protect Victims

Hartford, CT- In a ceremonial signing joined by Legislators, members of the Task Force on Law Enforcement Response to Family Violence and domestic violence advocates, Governor Dannel Malloy signed into law Public Act 12-114-new legislation aimed at providing family violence victims with greater support from courts and law enforcement.

"This law represents positive and progressive action for victims, and serves to greatly improve upon Connecticut's current response," said Karen Jarmoc, Executive Director of the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence. "We cannot rely on one agency or system to end domestic violence. We all have a role to play. Anytime domestic violence agencies, law enforcement and court systems can work together to increase safety for victims and accountability for offenders, we will raise the chance that the cycle of violence will not repeat itself."

Newly signed Public Act 12-114 includes many new provisions that consist of increased accountability for domestic violence abusers enrolled in the Family Violence Education Program, the extension of restraining orders for up to one year, and enhanced strategies for locating offenders for service of process. In addition, this bill will set forth the recommendations of the Task Force on Law Enforcement Response to Family Violence, which include the institution of a statewide model policy for law enforcement response to family violence, increased monitoring of violations of orders of protection and improved safeguards for college students who have acquired an order of protection for their continued safety.

In Connecticut, some 54,000 victims seek services annually from 18 community-based programs which offer 24/7 crisis intervention, safety planning, court advocacy, counseling, and safe accommodations. And while this statistic points to measurable affirmative outcomes whereby victims are able to access help, there remains no significant decrease in domestic violence fatalities. On Tuesday, July 31, 2012, CCADV and the Connecticut Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee will release its report on domestic violence fatalities including their recommendations aimed at decreasing intimate partner fatalities in Connecticut.

The Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Inc. is a membership organization made up of the state's 18 domestic violence agencies. Help is available to victims 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.. Each agency offers free services to victims including a toll-free hotline, safety through shelter, counseling and support groups, and by assisting in securing a restraining order. If you or someone you know needs support, call the statewide free and confidential hotline at 888-774-2900.

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