Coalition to Host Major VAWA Rally in DC during National 10 Days of Action Campaign

VA Tech Shooting Survivor Colin Goddard and other advocates to tell Congress:
Stop rollbacks and protect all survivors of sexual/domestic violence

WASHINGTON, DC – On Tuesday, June 26, 2012 from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, a national coalition of national, tribal, state, territorial and local organizations, as well as individuals, committed to securing an end to violence against women will gather at the United States Capitol in support of provisions in The REAL VAWA (S. 1925 ~ Violence Against Women Act reauthorization).

Supporters of The REAL VAWA will call on Congress to solve their procedural differences and begin working on a bill that resembles S. 1925 in full, with all of the provisions included, before the elected officials take their July 4th vacation. The REAL VAWA will better serve ALL survivors and contains NO rollbacks to the current VAWA.

WHAT

Capitol Hill Rally during National VAWA Days of Action

WHO

National Task Force to End Sexual & Domestic Violence Against Women: A coalition of national, tribal, state, territorial and local organizations, as well as individuals, committed to securing an end to stalking, and sexual and domestic violence against girls women, boys and men.
Speakers include: Colin Goddard, survivor of the April 16, 2007 Virginia Tech mass shooting; The Honorable Daniel K. Akaka, Chairman, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever, National Council of Negro Women; Juan Carlos Arean, Casa De Esperanza; Terry O'Neill, National Organization for Women; Juana Majel, National Congress of American Indians; Rabbi David Saperstein, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism; Michael Bolton, Musician, Singer, Songwriter; and many more.

WHEN

Tuesday, June 26, 2012, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

WHERE

U.S. Capitol, Area 9, Enter site at the intersection of 1st Street and Constitution Avenue NE

WHY

As more and more legislation is stalled due to Congressional gridlock, we need Congressional leaders to hear our strong and united message once and for all: your work on VAWA is not over.

We have too much at stake and doing nothing is not an option. Supporters will stand strong during the National 10 Days of Action as we fight to push VAWA over the finish line!

MORE INFO:  www.4VAWA.org  |  Twitter:  @NTFVAWA  |  Facebook link  
#ReauthorizeVAWA  |  #RealVAWA  |  #VAWA

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The National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence Against Women (“NTF”) is focused on the development, passage and implementation of effective public policy to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. The full membership of the NTF is comprised of a large and diverse group of national, tribal, state, territorial and local organizations, as well as individuals, committed to securing an end to violence against women. Included are civil rights organizations, labor unions, advocates for children and youth, anti poverty groups, immigrant and refugee rights organizations, women’s rights leaders, education groups, and others focusing on a wide range of social, economic and racial justice issues. For over a decade, the NTF and its numerous subcommittees have been an important vehicle through which to promote our shared public policy goals.

For more information on NTF, please visit: 4vawa.org.