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High-Profile Homicide Is A Tragic Reminder That Domestic Violence Can Impact Anyone

December 1, 2012 – The National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV), the Kansas Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence (KCSDV), and the Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV) ask communities to use today’s homicide of Kasandra Perkins in Kansas City to shine the light on the dangers victims face in their own homes and to facilitate conversations about healthy relationships.

On average, three women are killed by their intimate partners every day in the United States. Domestic Violence occurs across socio-economic, ethnic, racial, and educational backgrounds – anyone can be a victim.

NNEDV, KCSDV, and MCADSV send our deepest sympathies to the families in Kansas City who apparently are dealing with the tragic aftermath of an intimate partner homicide-suicide.

To learn more about domestic violence and how you can make a difference, please visit www.nnedv.org, www.kcsdv.org, and www.mocadsv.org. If you are in danger, please call National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233

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NNEDV, a 501(c)(3) organization, is a leading voice for domestic violence victims and their allies. Its members include the 56 state and territorial coalitions against domestic violence. It works closely with them to understand the needs of domestic violence victims and advocacy programs. NNEDV has been a premiere national organization advancing the movement against domestic violence almost 20 years, after leading efforts among domestic violence advocates and survivors in urging Congress to pass the landmark Violence Against Women Act of 1994. To learn more about NNEDV, please visit www.nnedv.org.

Founded in 1982, the purpose of KCSDV is the prevention and elimination of sexual and domestic violence through a statewide network of programs providing support and safety for all victims of sexual and domestic violence and stalking, with primary focus on women and their children; direct services; public awareness and education; advocacy for victims; comprehensive prevention; and, social change efforts. Learn more at www.kcsdv.org.