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5th Annual Victims' Rights March of Solidarity

District Attorney Jeffrey S. Rosell announced today that the Fifth Annual Victims' Rights March of Solidarity is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13th from 6:00–7:45pm. We encourage the public to join us as we stand together with victims of crime and their families. The march is an opportunity to bring awareness to the rights of victims. More specifically, the right to be recognized and represented within the criminal justice system. It is also a chance to honor victims and acknowledge the hardships endured by them and their loved ones. We will gather at the courthouse steps located at 701 Ocean Street and proceed through downtown to City Hall at 809 Center Street.

Before the march at the county courthouse steps, District Attorney Rosell will address this year's theme: Serving Victims, Building Trust, Restoring Hope. A local survivor of crime, Michael, will also address the gathering. We will then hold the Ceremony of Names by reading the names of homicide victims from our community. Their photographs will then be distributed to family and friends to carry during the march. Additionally, a Courage Award will be presented to an individual in our community who demonstrated courage during adverse, dangerous circumstances. Music will be provided by Chas Crowder, Morgan Monticue and Scott Polland.

The march is part of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, which is April 10-16. Since 1981, this week has provided an opportunity for the nation to confront and remove barriers to justice for all victims of crime. Nationally, millions of people are touched by crime every year. Locally, thousands of people are impacted by crime and have their lives changed forever. These are our family, neighbors, friends and colleagues. Please join us for the march as we stand in solidarity with victims of crime in our community and recommit ourselves to advancing their rights.