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**Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro and U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal
Join the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women
in Announcing that Connecticut is Named Best State for Women**

Press Conference is TODAY, Monday, April 2; LOB Room 1A; 2:30 p.m.

HARTFORD – Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, Senator Richard Blumenthal and PCSW Executive Director Teresa Younger will be joined by Congressional, Legislative and Constitutional leaders, along with various women’s advocacy groups, at a press conference today to discuss a new analysis that ranks Connecticut first among all 50 states as the best place for women to live and work.

The analysis, prepared by the online site iVillage, is based on data from 12 authoritative sources, including the National Council of State Legislatures, the National Women’s Law Center, The Center for American Women & Politics at Rutgers and the U.S. Census Bureau, among others. According to the analysis, Connecticut women fare better than those in all other 49 states in an aggregate picture that includes healthcare coverage, education, economic wellbeing, parenting support systems and the percentage of women in elected office.

Rep. DeLauro, who has taken a leadership role in advancing women’s healthcare and economic security initiatives, and Sen. Blumenthal, who has advocated for stricter domestic violence prevention laws, will be joined by other experts in discussing both the progress made and what needs to be strengthened in Connecticut.

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Legislative Office Building, Hartford, Room 1A**

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