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Permanent Commission on the Status of Women

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WHAT: ConnGAP Press Conference

WHEN: Wed., Sept. 8; 10:00- 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Old Judiciary Room, State Capitol, Hartford

WHO: Former Mass. Lieutenant Gov. Kerry Healey;
PCSW Executive Director Teresa C. Younger

WHY: to announce new initiative asking gubernatorial candidates to name more women to high-level paid appointments.

ABOUT CONNGAP: The Connecticut Government Appointments Project (CONNGAP) is part of a national collaboration aimed at ensuring political parity for women so that state governments more accurately reflect the populations they represent.

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About the PCSW: The Permanent Commission on the Status of Women was formed in 1973 under Sec. 46a of the Connecticut General Statutes to study and improve Connecticut women's economic security, health and safety; to promote consideration of qualified women to leadership positions and to work toward the elimination of gender discrimination. As a non-partisan arm of the General Assembly, the agency monitors, critiques and recommends changes to legislation in order to inform public policy, and assesses programs and practices in all State agencies for their effect on the state's women. The PCSW serves as a liaison between government and its diverse constituents, and convenes stakeholders, including the business, non-profit and educational communities, local governments, and the media, in order to promote awareness of women's issues.