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WHAT: Women's Policy Training

WHEN: Wednesday, November 16, 2011; 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Legislative Office Building, Hartford, Connecticut; Room 2C

SPONSORED BY:

- Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- The General Federation of Women's Clubs of Connecticut
- The Permanent Commission on the Status of Women

INCLUDED:

- Legislative Advocacy Workshop
- Legislator Panel
- Mock Public Hearing

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.

About CCADV: The Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence is a statewide coalition which works collaboratively with its 18 community-based domestic violence agencies in Connecticut to change social conditions through policy advocacy, public awareness, technical assistance and education. Each agency offers free services to victims 24-hours-a-day to include hotline, safety through shelter, counseling and support groups and help to obtain a restraining order.

About the GFWC/CT: For over 100 years, the General Federation of Women's Clubs of Connecticut (GFWC/CT) has been part of an international organization with a mission to provide volunteer services, respond to challenges, and to seize a crisis as an opportunity for moving forward. Its mission encompasses being an innovative leader in education, growth, and development of women to benefit their children, their community and their government. GFWC's goal is to be of service to others, improve the social, cultural and physical environment and promote appreciation of the arts.