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NRCDV Applauds Release of the National Plan to End Gender-Based Violence

The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence (NRCDV) is delighted by the release of the National Plan to End Gender Based Violence. With over 30 years of history to advance resources, prevention, policy, and housing solutions for survivors, NRCDV applauds the White House, Gender Policy Council, and the many contributing stakeholders for their tireless efforts in developing this plan. We are especially grateful to see key components of NRCDV's programmatic and policy priority areas reflected in the plan pillars.

"As a Black immigrant woman who has worked in the movement for over 25 years, it brings me a lot of joy and great hope to experience the launch of the country's first National Plan to End Gender Based Violence. This is truly a historic moment. It's encouraging to see the National Plans' acknowledgment of the need for comprehensive solutions to ending gender-based violence. In my years of listening to and working alongside survivors and advocates most impacted by gender-based violence, a holistic approach has always surfaced as one of the solutions to creating safe and thriving communities," said Arlene Vassell, Interim CEO.

"To see addressing root causes, healing, and supporting innovative approaches reflected in the plan really makes me feel like we've finally heard what survivors have been saying. As a Black-woman, child witness survivor of domestic violence, and longtime advocate in the gender-based violence movement, those are the places where I see the voices of women of color advocates and activist. Those are the parts of the plan that are really giving me great energy to keep pressing forward," said Shenna Morris, Vice President of Policy and Systems Change.

"NRCDV's efforts focused on prevention, health and wellness, access to safe, accessible, and affordable housing, and research are all reflected in the plan. This is indeed a starting point to advancing conversations around these key pillars in ways that dismantle anti-blackness, center racial equity, and result in social change for survivors," said Ivonne Ortiz Interim Vice President of Programs, Prevention, and Social Change.

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The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence strengthens and transforms efforts to end domestic violence. It assists coalitions, advocates, providers and others by providing comprehensive resources, including statistics, research, position statements, statutes, training curricula, prevention initiatives, program information, and training and technical assistance on the large variety of domestic violence issues. NRCDV is committed to leading boldly in centering and amplifying the voices of traditionally marginalized communities in their work to attain safe and thriving communities for all.