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**CITY OF GARY RECOGNIZES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH  
HOSTS HOMICIDE VICTIM MEMORIAL SERVICE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**Gary, Indiana**-The city of Gary, Mayor Karen Freeman Wilson and the Gary Common Council will present a Homicide Victim Memorial Service on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The event hosted by the Gary Commission for Women and Gary for Life, will be held at ArtHouse: A Social Kitchen located at 411 East 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

The evening will bring together survivors, feature victim impact storytelling, support and messages of hope, while highlighting the strength and courage of families effected by violence.

Participating community partners include the YWCA, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Gary Alumni Chapter, and the ASW Foundation. Refreshments provided by Gary's own Kreative Affairs, immediately following the memorial service.

For more information about the memorial service or related services offered in the city, contact the Commission for Women, Teshezia George (219) 290-5276. For information about Gary for Life, contact Joy Holliday, (219)-881-7497

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