

# RESOLUTION

for

## Victim Support and Healing

**WHEREAS,** We fellow Americans and the community of victim survivors, victim advocates and support agencies across America, unite in offering our heartfelt sorrow upon the devastating tragedy suffered by the Virginia Tech community; and

**WHEREAS,** We mourn your terrible loss and share your overwhelming grief; and

**WHEREAS,** Individually and collectively, we extend our compassionate understanding and support as you struggle to honor the lives of your loved ones and friends; and

**WHEREAS,** We want the Virginia Tech community and other areas of the country affected by these violent acts including students, faculty, and staff as well as the families of the deceased to know that many stand ready to help rebuild a spirit of hope and healing; and

**WHEREAS,** We ask our fellow Americans to join us in this important mission of service; and

**WHEREAS,** The importance of families and friends is never as pronounced as during a time of tragedy;

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE HEREBY RESOLVED** that we offer the added support of families who have experienced the murder of a loved one and understand the emotional journey you now begin. For the first time you may realize there is evil in the world, but you will also see unbelievable love and compassion from family, friends and even strangers who share your pain; and

**THEREFORE**, we jointly offer support not only to those impacted by the massacre at Virginia Tech, but also to all those victimized by crime on a daily basis; and

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED** that those who have made their commitment as fellow Americans, victim survivors, victim advocates and support agencies across America, do hereby sign this resolution.

**FINALLY, LET IT BE FURTHER KNOWN AND HEREBY RESOLVED** that those who are named in this resolution shall be assured that they may rely upon the undersigned fellow Americans, victim survivors, victim advocates and support agencies across America for assistance for on-going and sustainable service dedicated to the well-being of victims and to the healing of America.

**INITIATED** on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007, a day that shall not ever be forgotten, and signed by:

Arizona Voice for Crime Victims (AZ)  
Carroll County, MD, State's Attorney's Office  
Columbine High School Shooting Survivors (CO)  
Connecticut Alliance for Victims of Violence and Their Families (CT-ALIVE)  
Cook County of Illinois Victim Witness Program (IL)  
Crime Victims Advocacy Council (GA)  
Crime Victims United of California (CVUC) (CA)  
Damien Corrente Memorial Youth Foundation (NJ)  
Debra Puglisi Sharp HOPE Foundation for Surviving Trauma (DE)  
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office (IL)  
East Division Crime Victim Services (PA)  
Grief Assistance Program, Inc. (PA)  
Homicide Survivors, Inc., Tucson (AZ)  
Illinois Victims.Org  
Jenna Foundation for Non-Violence (NY)  
Justice Solutions (Washington, D.C.)  
Justice for Murdered Children (JFMC) (CA)  
Justice for Homicide Victims (JHV) (CA)  
KlaasKids Foundation (CA)  
Kristen Laurite Memorial Foundation (NJ)  
Linking with Victims for Change  
Maryland Crime Victims Resource Center, Inc.  
Memory of Victims Everywhere (MOVE) (CA)  
Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights (National)  
National Coalition of Victims in Action (NCVIA)  
National Organization of Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)  
National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA)  
National Association of VOCA Assistance Administrators (NAVAA)

The Peace Alliance Foundation (National)  
People Against Violent Crime (TX)  
People Pedaling Peace/Stephanie Lynn McSweeney Memorial Foundation(VA)  
Peyton Tuthill Foundation for Crime Victims (FL)  
Philadelphia Juvenile Probation Victim Services (PA)  
Safe Cities Commission, Fort Worth, Texas  
South Carolina Victim Advocate Association  
South Carolina Victim Assistance Network (SCVAN) (SC)  
South Carolina Victim Assistance Standards and Certification Board  
Striving Toward Achieving Compassion, Integrity and Education Foundation (S.T.A.C.I.E.)  
(OH)  
Striving Towards Eradicating Violence in Ennercities (S.T.E.V.I.E.) (CA)  
Survivors of Homicide, Inc. (CT)  
Teen Web Online (NY)  
The Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence (National)  
The Capital District Coalition for Crime Victims' Rights (NY)  
The Carol Sund/Carrington Memorial Reward Foundation (CA)  
The Franks Foundation (VA)  
The Governor's Office of Victim Advocacy (NM)  
The Governor's Victim Rights Alliance (NM)  
The Maryland State Board of Victim Services (MD)  
The National Coalition of Homicide Survivors  
The National Coalition of Survivors for Violence Prevention, Inc. (SVP)  
The New Mexico Justice Project & Real Crimes Network  
The New Mexico Victims Rights Project  
The Philadelphia Coalition for Victim Advocacy (PA)  
The Renee Olubunmi Rondeau Peace Foundation (GA)