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## **PRESS ADVISORY**

### **CWA of Montana Remembering Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

**HELENA, MT**— Concerned Women for America of Montana will be hosting a Sexual Assault Awareness event on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 at the Montana State Capitol in the Rotunda. We will be discussing the travesties of sexual assault and how Montana is moving forward to protect women, men, and children. The event will include comments from Attorney General, Tim Fox; CWA state co-director Tonya Shellnutt, a survivor of sexual assault, and a time to hear from legislators on current legislation addressing sexual assault in Montana.

#### **CWA of Montana State Director Tonya Shellnutt released this statement:**

“Sexual violence is a wide spread issue that impacts everyone. Sexual violence occurs when someone is forced or manipulated into unwanted sexual activity without their consent. These crimes occur daily in our communities, schools, and workplaces. One in six boys and one in four girls will experience sexual assault before the age 18 (NSVRC). CWA of Montana is passionate about working to educate our communities about sexual violence prevention, supporting survivors, and speaking out against harmful attitudes and actions. When we actively get involved, we can prevent sexual violence. The first step is increasing education, awareness, and community involvement. It’s time for all of us to take action to create a safer environment for all. Please join us April 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. to show your support for protecting Montana men, women and children against sexual assault.”

Media are invited to attend. This event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be provided.

Date: Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Time: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Location: Montana State Capitol Rotunda, 1301 East 6th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601

For an interview with CWA of Montana State Co-Director, Tonya Shellnutt, please contact 406-598-6658 or [director@montana.cwfa.org](mailto:director@montana.cwfa.org).

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