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## THURSDAY: FIRST LADY CHIRLANE MCCRAY TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING CITY'S EFFORTS TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**NEW YORK**– On Thursday, February 8, First Lady McCray and agency leaders of the Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence will make an announcement about the City's commitment to support survivors of domestic violence and educate New Yorkers on the complexities of intimate partner violence. Mayor de Blasio and First Lady McCray released the Domestic Violence Task Force Recommendations in May 2017, which include innovative multidisciplinary programming, initiatives and policies to reduce intimate partner violence in New York City as well as an investment of \$7 million to better hold abusers accountable and enhance resources for survivors. In October 2017, the City allocated an additional \$3.9 million to expand healthy relationship programming to middle schools and broaden services to keep survivors safe in their own homes, among additional new investments.

- WHO: Chirlane McCray, First Lady of NYC Elizabeth Dank, Deputy Commissioner of the Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence
  Dr. Herminia Palacio, Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services
  Liz Roberts, Co-CEO of Safe Horizon Raquel Singh, Executive Director of Voices of Women
- WHEN: Thursday, February 8, 2018 12:00 PM
- <u>WHERE</u>: Manhattan Family Justice Center 80 Centre Street New York, NY 10013 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room

There will be Q-and-A following the announcement with members of the media. Press should plan to arrive no later than 11:30 AM. The event will be live streamed via the First Lady's <u>Facebook</u>. Official photos will be available at <u>flickr.com/nycmayorsoffice</u> shortly following the event.

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