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Rape Survivors Stand Up at Statehouse

Columbus, OH – Every 2.5 minutes another person in the United States is sexually assaulted. On Wednesday May 12, 2010 Representative Dan Stewart will join with community partners including The Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence, NARAL Pro-Choice Ohio, Survivors to Alivers and Planned Parenthood Affiliates of Ohio in the Statehouse Atrium to help break the silence about sexual assault in Ohio.

Survivors from across the state submitted pictures and stories to help bring attention to sexual assault, a crime that too often is surrounded with silence and shame. This event will highlight the real people in our state who are affected by sexual assault and help spread the message that these survivors need compassionate care to move from victim to survivor. Representative Dan Stewart's H.B. 333, the Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies Act, would provide comprehensive and compassionate medical treatment for all survivors of sexual assault, including treatment to prevent pregnancy and the transmission of sexually transmitted infections.

Who: Representative Dan Stewart and supporters of H.B. 333, the
Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies Act
What: Presentation of survivors stories, images and statistics about sexual
assault in Ohio
Where: The Ohio Statehouse Atrium
When: May 12, 2010, 10:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

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