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Dear Friends:

December 2012 is the 26th annual observance of National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month and, as it has been since its inception, the theme is "TIE ONE ON *for* SAFETY"— most recognizable by its symbol of red ribbons. The National Criminal Justice Association's (NCJA) National SAVIN Training and Technical Assistance Project is pleased to provide you with a Resource Kit to help you promote SAVIN during this observance over the holidays, and develop partnerships with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) affiliates and chapters whose victim advocates provide services and support to survivors of impaired driving crashes and promote awareness about drunk and drugged driving prevention and response, and who can be partners in helping survivors understand and access SAVIN services.

Victims and survivors of impaired driving crashes are important clients of SAVIN programs. The information and notification that SAVIN programs provide them are critical to helping them engage in the criminal justice process and enhance their capacity to know what is happening in their cases. We are pleased to partner with the National Office of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) in producing this Resource Kit, which features information about MADD programs, services and chapters.

You can visit http://www.madd.org/local-offices/ to identify MADD chapters in your state, and partner with them in promoting both SAVIN and the holiday season's "TIE ONE ON for SAFETY" campaign. MADD's national website features myriad resources and information for victims and survivors, victim advocates, justice professionals and community members. MADD will provide this Kit to its members, and inform them about how to contact their state's SAVIN program.

As always, we appreciate your feedback about this Resource Kit. Please complete and return the enclosed Evaluation Form, to help us improve future Resource Kits to promote SAVIN.

If you have any questions or need further information about the National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month SAVIN Resource Kit, please contact us at SAVIN@NCJA.org.

Best wishes for a safe holiday season and a successful 2012 National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month that helps spread the word about SAVIN programs and services!

Sincerely,

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