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SAFE SHORES RECOGNIZED AT 2010 CONGRESSIONAL CLUB LUNCHEON

WASHINGTON, DC, April 28, 2010 – Safe Shores – The D.C. Children’s Advocacy Center was recognized for its work with child victims of abuse and witnesses to violence at the 2010 Congressional Club Luncheon honoring First Lady Michelle Obama. Special guests of today’s luncheon at the Hilton Washington Hotel also included spouses of the Vice President, the President’s Cabinet, the Supreme Court, and Members of Congress.

"As a mother and grandmother I know how vulnerable our children can be and how important it is that they have a safe place to go when they experience abuse and trauma," remarked Betty Ann Tanner, Luncheon Chair and spouse of Congressman John Tanner (D-Tenn). "Safe Shores – The D.C. Children's Advocacy Center reduces the continuing trauma by providing a full range of healing services and support under one roof. It is an honor to recognize Safe Shores and their valuable contribution to the life of children in the District of Columbia," she continued. In 2009, Safe Shores served over 850 child and youth victims of abuse and witnesses to violence.

Safe Shores is honored to be recognized for its work, particularly in April – Child Abuse Prevention Month. This special recognition highlights the success of the public-private partnership in fighting child abuse in the Nation’s Capital and encourages legislative stakeholders to do more to protect children from physical and sexual abuse.

For more information about Safe Shores – The D.C. Children’s Advocacy Center, please contact SooAnn Roberts Pisano, CNAP or visit www.safeshores.org.

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About Safe Shores – The D.C. Children’s Advocacy Center

Safe Shores – The D.C. Children’s Advocacy Center is a 501(c)(3) direct service nonprofit organization dedicated to directly supporting child and youth victims of sexual and physical abuse and witnesses to violence in the District of Columbia. Through its child-friendly facility and multidisciplinary team approach, Safe Shores coordinates the work of law enforcement, social workers, prosecutors, and medical and mental health professionals to reduce trauma and promote healing for abused and traumatized children. For additional information, please visit www.safeshores.org.

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