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NEWS FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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AG Kaul Recognizes Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Awareness Day

MADISON, Wis. – Attorney General Josh Kaul is calling attention to the issue of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls in Wisconsin on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Awareness Day. The day is a reminder to help combat the abduction, homicide, violence and trafficking of Indigenous women.

"The importance of today can't be overstated," said Attorney General Josh Kaul. "We must remember those indigenous people lost to murder as well as those who remain missing, praying for peace for them and their families. We center our work on this important topic around them."

In July of 2020, Attorney General Kaul announced the launching of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Task Force, a partnership with Wisconsin Department of Justice and Indigenous communities to address and hopefully prevent future cases of missing and murdered Indigenous women in Wisconsin. More information about the task force and resources for communities can be found here: https://www.doj.state.wi.us/missing-and-murdered-indigenous-women-task-force

View a downloadable video message from Attorney General Josh Kaul: https://widoj.sharefile.com/d-s0e5a2169b4534b9295413719ae470df8

DOJ Crime Victim Resources:

Toll-Free Phone Line

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Victims of crimes may get answers to questions at 1-800-446-6564 weekdays 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Safe at Home

An address confidentiality program for victims of acts or threats of abuse or for those who fear for their safety. For more information, visit www.SafeAtHomeWI.gov.

Victim Resource Center

Information and referrals for crime victims; materials and training on victim rights; additional victim assistance and advocacy: https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/victim-rights/victim-witness-rights

Crime Victim Compensation

Helps pay for unreimbursed eligible expenses: https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/compensation/crime-victim-compensation-program-compensation-your-financial-losses

For more information, please contact DOJ Office of Crime Victim Services at 1-800-446-6564 or https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs.

Human Trafficking

Call the National Human Trafficking Hotline for help or to report a tip 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at1 (888) 373-7888. https://www.doj.state.wi.us/ocvs/human-trafficking