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PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release:

At the Annual Western States Sheriffs' Association (WSSA) conference held in early March, The Association partnered with the Idaho based Man Up Crusade to make a resounding and very public consolidated effort in taking a stand against the issue of domestic violence in this country.

WSSA Executive Board dedicated Wednesday March 2nd of the conference as Purple Day. In anticipation of the event the WSSA board arranged for each registered attendee to receive a purple shirt to wear for the day. Sheriffs and attendees from 15 States all wore purple shirts with the WSSA and Man Up Crusade logos to show their support for the program started by Canyon County Idaho Sheriff Kieran Donahue and his wife Jeanie. WSSA President, and also Nationals Sheriffs Association President, Sheriff Danny Glick, said: "We hope that this small demonstration of our unity on this critical topic will send a loud message that no one should be a victim of domestic violence and that we are all in this together to eradicate this problem in our society."

National statistics show that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will experience domestic violence in their life time. The Man Up's Crusade is endorsed and supported by the Western States Sheriffs' Association, the Southwest Border Sheriffs Coalition, the Sheriffs' Association of Texas and the Idaho Sheriffs' Association and also has a letter of support by the national sheriffs pending a resolution for full endorsement. The Man Up Crusade also partners with over 20 Professional Rodeo Cowboys' Association (PRCA) rodeo's in 11 states and enjoys a partnership with the Professional Bull Riders (PBR) Built Ford Tough Series.

For more information about the Man Up Crusade, visit their website at www.manupcrusade.com

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