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Release of Recording of Virtual Press Conference Held to Help Domestic Violence Victims During COVID-19

VENTURA, California – To conclude Domestic Violence Awareness Month, District Attorney Gregory D. Totten announced today a virtual press conference was held on Thursday, October 29, 2020, with California law enforcement leaders and national nonprofit Childhelp. The panel discussed working together to combat the unintended consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic to help victims of domestic violence during this health crisis.

District Attorney Totten was joined by Childhelp Chief Communications Officer Daphne Young, United States Attorney McGregor Scott for California's Eastern District, Sacramento County District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert, United States Attorney Nicola Hanna for California's Central District, Alameda County District Attorney Nancy O'Malley, United States Attorney Robert Brewer for California's Southern District, and San Diego County District Attorney Summer Stephan.

Below is a link to the recorded press conference:

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Help is available for those seeking refuge from domestic abuse at the Ventura County Family Justice Center at NO COST. To learn more about available services, call Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., (805) 652-7655, text (805) 947-7981, or email vcfjc.coop@ventura.org.

If assistance is needed after hours, 211 Info Link Ventura County is available 24/7 via phone or at www.211ventura.org. Call or text 211 to be connected. This free confidential service will connect people across Ventura County to the resources they need. If emergency assistance is needed please call 911.

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