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**NCEDSV Issues Statement Following Verdict of Harvey Weinstein Trial**

**Reno, Nev.** **(February 24, 2020)** The Nevada Coalition to END Domestic and Sexual Violence (NCEDSV) has issued a statement following today’s split verdict in Harvey Weinstein’s trial.

Standing with the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence (NAESV) and echoing the concerns RALIANCE Executive Director Ebony Tucker over disappointment that justice was not served for all in the split verdict, Sue Meuschke, NCEDSV Executive Director, made the following statement:

“We are discouraged that justice was not served for all victim-survivors abused by Harvey Weinstein. This split verdict demonstrates how far our movement and culture still have to go in serving accountability for perpetrators of sexual violence and highlights the importance of NCEDSV’s vision, a Nevada in which domestic and sexual violence are eradicated and healthy relationships thrive. We hope this split verdict will not further deter survivors of sexual violence from coming forward, but instead fan the flame of passion behind this movement to end sexual violence,” said Sue Meuschke, NCEDSV Executive Director, in response to the verdict.

This year NCEDSV celebrates 40 years of working to eliminate domestic and sexual violence in Nevada. NCEDSV supports domestic and sexual violence survivors and direct service providers with training and expert consultation, while fighting for victim safety and offender accountability throughout the state.

NCEDSV recognizes that the highlighted attention to the Harvey Weinstein case over the next few days can be re-traumatizing to survivors of sexual violence. The National Sexual Assault Hotline is available 24/7 at 1(800) 656-4673. You can also locate local programs on the NCEDSV’s website: <https://www.ncedsv.org/find-help/>.

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**About NCEDSV**

The Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence (previously The Nevada Network Against Domestic Violence), is the statewide coalition of domestic and sexual violence programs. NCEDSV provides statewide advocacy, education and support to the frontline organizations that help those impacted by domestic and sexual violence. To learn more, visit ncedsv.org.