Patricia Teffenhart-Maikos, Assistant Executive Director of Women Aware, the state-designated domestic violence organization serving Middlesex County. It works to end domestic violence in the lives of men, women and children and to change societal attitudes and institutions that promote and condone violence. Women Aware provides 24 hour services for women and families impacted by the cycle of violence. A graduate of Douglass College, Ms. Teffenhart-Maikos is also the Board Chairperson of the New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault and was the Director of Regional Programs for the National Latina Health Network for seven years, where she advanced the national health promotion infrastructure in support of Latinas and their families.

Barbara Young, National Organizer for the National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA), the leading voice for millions of domestic workers in the United States. Its member organizations represent 10,000 nannies, housekeepers and caregivers for the elderly in 14 states and the District of Columbia. Ms. Young, a native of Barbados, worked for 17 years as a domestic worker and was one of the leaders in the six year struggle in New York State which led to the first ever state law ensuring basic protections like agreements on hours and wages and overtime pay for domestic workers in 2010.

Lynn Harris, Communications Director for BREAKTHROUGH, a unique global human rights organization that creates cutting edge pop culture and innovative education to inspire new generations of leaders to act for change. Their most recent global campaign: One Million Men, One Million Promises to End Violence Against Women – Ring the Bell is aimed at mobilizing men and women to speak up against violence whenever it occurs. Ms. Harris has written extensively about women’s rights, reproductive justice, gender, religion and disability. She is the author of Death by Chick Lit.

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