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RALIANE Names Dr. Christine Ford as “Person of the Year” in New Awards Program

Inaugural Awards Honor Champions of Sexual Harassment, Misconduct and Abuse Prevention including Policy, Corporate and Community Leaders

WASHINGTON, DC — RALIANE, a national partnership committed to ending sexual violence in one generation, announced today the recipients of four new “RALIANE Honors” awards that recognize individuals whose hard work and leadership are helping create a world free from sexual harassment, misconduct and abuse once and for all. The honorees will be celebrated next week on April 2 in Washington, DC.

“As we commemorate Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April, RALIANE is proud to celebrate these individuals who have inspired their communities, organizations and institutions to champion changes that make sexual violence prevention possible,” said Monika Johnson Hostler, RALIANE Managing Partner and President of the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence. “We all play an important role in raising awareness about sexual harassment, misconduct and abuse and educating our communities on how to prevent all types of sexual violence.”

RALIANE Person of the Year Award: Dr. Christine Ford is a passionate and public champion for survivors of sexual assault. Her testimony in the confirmation hearings of Justice Brett Kavanaugh had a global impact on how we respond to and support survivors of sexual assault. Dr. Ford’s sacrifice in sharing her experience, and the difficulties she subsequently endured, brought much needed attention to the importance of supporting and believing survivors.

RALIANE Policy Maker Award: Congresswoman Gwen Moore has been a tireless advocate for women’s rights and civil rights issues, including sexual assault, domestic violence and women’s health. She is a strong champion for the ongoing attempt to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act as well as its previous authorizations in 2005 and 2013. Rep. Moore has made a meaningful difference in the movement to prevent sexual assault by pushing for federal legislation that protects all survivors.

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RALIANACE Corporate Innovator: Tony West, Chief Legal Officer at Uber is a corporate leader and asset in Uber's transformation on sexual assault response. He was the first to remove the requirement of mandatory arbitration for sexual assault survivors in the rideshare industry. West has also partnered with sexual assault organizations and encouraged the expertise of advocates to better inform Uber's policies on this issue, including the company's commitment to release a first-of-its-kind transparency report including sexual assault incidents. He is a role model for how corporate leaders can bring positive change to their industries.

RALIANACE Community Leader Award: Indira Henard, Executive Director of the DC Rape Crisis Center is a community leader who has made significant contributions on a national and local level, particularly during Justice Brett Kavanaugh's confirmation hearings. Henard provided services and support to an unprecedented influx of survivors in DC and offered her expertise on sexual assault response to policy makers and the media. Her work to increase services for sexual assault survivors in the DC metropolitan area has been invaluable.

For more information on the RALIANACE Honors event on April 2, please visit [here](#) or www.RALIANACE.org.

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RALIANACE is a national partnership dedicated to ending sexual violence in one generation. Every day, RALIANACE makes prevention possible by advancing research, influencing policy, supporting innovative programs and helping leaders establish safe workplaces and strong communities. Founded in 2015 through a multimillion dollar seed investment by the National Football League, RALIANACE is based in Washington, DC.