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National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere Names Students to 2016-2017 Youth Advisory Board

Raleigh, NC. (July 20, 2016) — Carleen Wray, executive director of the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE), has announced nine high school students have been selected to serve on the 2016-2017 National SAVE Youth Advisory Board (YAB). Members of the board are meeting in Raleigh NC to participate in a National Youth Leadership Institute on July 28-31 where they will be trained as presenters and spokespersons for the national organization. At the institute, YAB members will also plan the 2017 National Youth Summit to be held in Raleigh NC on April 1, 2017.

Members of the 2016-2017 National SAVE Youth Advisory Board:

- Melquan Cromedy, Georgetown High School (SC)
- Jordan German, Optimism Preventive Services (SC)
- Taleek Harlee-McCray, Purnell Swett High School (NC)
- Marjorie Lam, Biloxi High School (MS)
- Macey McKenzie, Ocean Springs High School (MS)
- Devin Philipps, E.A. Laney High School (NC)
- Rhiannon Potwin, Jack Britt High School (NC)
- Kaitlyn Wade, White Oak High School (NC)
- Kaleigh Wright, Cuthbertson High School (NC)

Members of the YAB will develop their leadership skills through participation in training sessions, discussions of best practices for youth violence prevention and the practice of educational activities for sharing with other SAVE students. They will create goals for the year as well as a proactive action plan to combat violence through the implementation of the three essential elements of SAVE: crime prevention, conflict management and service projects.

SAVE is a student-run, student-initiated public nonprofit violence prevention organization with over 2,200 chapters in 48 states and more than 240,000 members in elementary, middle, high schools, colleges and communities nationwide.

For additional information on the 2016-2017 Youth Advisory Board visit

<http://nationalsave.org/youth-advisory-board/>

About the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere:

SAVE started at West Charlotte High School in Charlotte, N.C. in 1989 following the tragic death of a student who was trying to break up a fight at an off-campus party. Students met first to console each other, then as an organization to promote violence prevention and to work together to prevent future incidents from occurring. SAVE provides education about the effects and consequences of violence and helps provide safe activities for students, parents and communities. For more information on SAVE or starting a SAVE chapter, visit www.nationalsave.org, or contact SAVE at (866) 343-SAVE to receive free start-up materials and guidance.