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**U.S. Immigration
and Customs
Enforcement**

Chief Neil C. Erickson
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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), is committed to protecting the public and ensuring that the rights of victims are carefully observed. HSI administers a Victim Notification Program which allows eligible victims and witnesses to obtain reliable and timely information regarding a criminal alien's release from custody. However, victims and witnesses are required to register with our agency in order to receive notification of a criminal alien's release.

To this end, HSI is respectfully requesting your department's assistance with informing victims and witnesses located within your geographic area about this valuable program. We are hoping that your department can place a hyperlink to the HSI's Victim Notification Program on your department's website.

Listed below is a universal resource locator for the HSI Victim Notification Program. Once embedded onto your website, a victim or witness can simply click on the hyperlink and be transferred to a number of valuable victim services programs provided by ICE.

<http://www.ice.gov/victim-notification/>

We would like to thank you in advance for your assistance in helping us accomplish our victim assistance mission. If there are questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact HSI Section Chief Alicia R. Vereen, Investigative Support Unit, at 703-344-0119 or Alicia.R.Vereen@ice.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JCH", with a large flourish underneath.

James C. Harris, III
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