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## **Attorney General Ashley Moody News Release**

### **Cabinet Passes Crime Victims' Rights Resolution**

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General Ashley Moody today presented a resolution to the Governor and Florida Cabinet recognizing National Crime Victims' Rights Week. National Crime Victims' Rights Week is an annual commemoration that promotes victims' rights and services. The resolution passed by unanimous vote.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "I am honored to sponsor and pass this important resolution supporting the rights of victims to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect. Our office works daily through our Division of Victim Services to ensure victims of crime have a voice and can access available resources to help them heal and recover."

During the Cabinet meeting, Attorney General Moody recognized Division of Victim Services Advocate Elayne Gooding. Working as a victim advocate in Florida's Attorney General Office since November 2012, Gooding helps victims of crime access available public services and resources.

Gooding has assisted victims in the immediate aftermath of several major state and national tragedies, including the Ft. Lauderdale Airport, Parkland and Pulse shootings. Gooding also traveled to Nevada to assist victims following the 2017 Las Vegas shooting that took the lives of 58 people. Attorney General Moody thanked Gooding for her service to the state of Florida and for helping crime victims recover.

For more information about the Florida Attorney General's Division of Victim Services, click [here](#).

National Crime Victims' Rights Week will take place April 7-13. This year's theme is: Honoring Our Past. Creating Hope for the Future. Next week, Attorney General Moody will host Florida's annual Crime Victim's Rights Ceremony to honor crime victims, victim advocates and law enforcement officers taking extraordinary steps to assist victims.

To view a copy of the resolution Attorney General Moody unveiled at today's Florida Cabinet Meeting, click [here](#).