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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**  
**HONORED DURING NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK.**

The District Attorney's Office was honored this week in Washington, D.C. by the United States Congressional Crime Survivors and Justice Caucus. U.S. Congressman Joe Neguse nominated the District Attorney's Office for the "Ed Stout Memorial Award for Outstanding Victim Advocacy." This award honors the memory of Ed Stout, the Director of Aid for Victims of Crime of St. Louis, Missouri, which is one of the nation's three oldest victim assistance organizations. The award recognizes innovations in victim assistance and crime victim services in the areas of program development, public or agency policy development, community and public awareness, and collaboration among community and justice-based organizations that serve victims of crime.

This congressional award is based on the response and dedicated support for the victims and survivors of the mass shooting at King Soopers. The outstanding victim advocates from the DA's Office and different agencies continue to work closely with many family members of the ten individuals killed on March 22, 2021, as well as with other victims and survivors. It has been a joint effort to strongly support the survivors, including assistance from the City of Boulder, Boulder Police Department, Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance, Boulder Strong Resource Center, and other agencies.

Members of the DA's Office travelled to Washington, D.C. to receive the award at a ceremony on Capitol Hill during the annual commemoration for National Crime Victims' Rights Week. (See attached photo).

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "Our office is honored to serve those impacted by the mass shooting at King Soopers. We are committed to strongly supporting victims and survivors. I want to acknowledge the other agencies and advocates for their dedication in helping victims, survivors, and community members with the tremendous impact. I appreciate the support of Representative Joe Neguse; he and his staff have been a part of this effort from the very start."



Pictured Left to Right: Victim Advocate Kati Behrens, Victim Advocate Lori Thomas, First Assistant District Attorney Katharina Booth, Representative Joe Neguse, Director of Victim Witness Lindsey Bravdica, Assistant Victim Witness Director Lisa Herzing, Victim Advocate Georgina Gutierrez, and Victim Advocate Yasmin Reyes.