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# **ATTORNEY GENERAL JEPSEN TO BE HONORED FOR HIS WORK TO END DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

HARTFORD – Interval House, the state’s largest domestic violence prevention and intervention organization, announced today State Attorney General George Jepsen will receive its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Breakfast with Champions Award.

Jepsen, a longtime member of Interval House’s *Men Make a Difference, Men Against Domestic Violence*<sup>™</sup> initiative, is finishing his final term as the state’s attorney general. Last year he decided not to seek reelection. He will receive the award on October 17, 2018 at the Riverview in Simsbury.

Interval House’s President and CEO Mary-Jane Foster said selecting Attorney General Jepsen for the 2018 award was an easy decision.

“He has worked tirelessly for decades as a private citizen and public official to end domestic violence and protect women and children,” Foster said. “I can think of no one else at this time more deserving.”

Jepsen has served as Connecticut Attorney General since 2011. Prior to that he served as a State Representative and State Senator in the Connecticut General Assembly.

"Interval House provides critical services and advocacy, and I'm humbled to receive this award and to join the esteemed ranks of past winners," said Attorney General Jepsen. "It has been my honor to support Interval House and its important efforts, and I hope to continue to raise awareness about the issue of domestic violence, its impact on victims, and its effects on our society and culture more broadly."

The Breakfast with Champions event was founded by Interval House and Riverview owner, John Royce, as a way to recognize extraordinary men and women who work in the cause against domestic violence. Royce, who is also a member of Interval House’s men’s group with Jepsen, donates the entire cost of the breakfast.

Past honorees include: US. Senator Richard Blumenthal, former CCSU Basketball Coach Howie Dickenman, State Rep. Dr. William A. Petit, Jr., Interval House’s former Executive Director, Cecile Enrico, and Fox 61.

Since 1977, Interval House has helped victims of domestic violence, mostly women and children who are psychologically or physically battered by their partner. The nonprofit is dedicated to providing services to prevent and break the cycle of family and intimate partner violence. Since it was founded, Interval House has provided services to more than 240,000 people.

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