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### Laney High School SAVE Advisor Recognized as National SAVE Advisor of the Year

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**Wilmington, NC (June 1, 2010) — Ms. Beth Scheirer**, Advisor of the Laney High School SAVE Chapter, was recognized by the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE) for her work and efforts in preventing school violence and promoting youth safety. The **2009-2010 National SAVE Advisor of the Year Award** was awarded to Ms. Scheirer for outstanding performance and lasting contributions to the school, community, and students and for exemplifying the ideals of SAVE.

Ms. Scheirer has been a dedicated advisor to her SAVE chapter. She motivates, supports, and leads her students by example. This past school year Laney High School participated in the Allstate Foundation Teen Safe Driving grant program and Ms. Scheirer led the SAVE students in safe driving activities such as seat belt surveys, the creation of public service announcements and campaigns focusing on the dangers of using cell phones while driving.

*"Ms. Scheirer is well deserving of the SAVE Advisor of the Year Award. She is one of the most helpful individuals at Laney High School going above and beyond her position to make her school and the SAVE chapter the best it can be."* stated Jonai Lloyd, Laney SAVE member and National SAVE Youth Advisory Board member. *"Ms. Scheirer has encouraged the students to conduct many youth safety projects, providing guidance and assistance but still allowing us to run our chapter. Under her guidance our SAVE chapter just recently conducted a mock crash to teach students about safe driving. She is always willing to lend a helping hand in order to see others succeed. Many students go to Ms. Scheirer for advice and she always encourages students to make good decisions."*

*"Ms. Scheirer embodies the ideals of SAVE and is a model for SAVE chapters everywhere."* stated Dr. Pamela L. Riley, Executive Director of SAVE. *"SAVE's vision is for all students to be able to attend schools that are safe and secure, free of fear, and conducive to learning." As more students join SAVE chapters all across the country, we are moving closer to making our vision for safer schools a reality."*

#### **About the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere:**

SAVE started at West Charlotte High School (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.

The National Association of SAVE is a student-run, student-initiated public nonprofit violence prevention organization with over 1,800 chapters in 47 states and over 200,000 members in elementary, middle, high schools, colleges and communities nationwide. SAVE provides education about the effects and consequences of violence and helps provide safe activities for students, parents and communities.

For further information on SAVE, please visit [www.nationalsave.org](http://www.nationalsave.org). Anyone interested in starting a SAVE chapter at their school can contact SAVE at 1-866-343-SAVE to receive free start-up materials and guidance.

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