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“HUGS, NOT BULLETS” THIS NEW YEAR RESIDENTS ENCOURAGED TO END CELEBRATORY GUNFIRE

DETROIT – The Detroit Police Department (DPD) and Neighborhood Services Organization/ Youth Initiatives Project (NSO/YIP) announce their 5th annual “Hugs, Not Bullets” anti-gun violence press conference which encourages residents to refrain from celebratory gunfire at midnight January 1, 2009. Every year, innocent victims are injured or killed by falling bullets that were merrily fired into the air and intended to celebrate this special moment.

The “Hugs, Not Bullets” campaign was created by teen leaders from various high schools across the city of Detroit who have come together in taking a stand against gun violence.

WHAT: “Hugs, Not Bullets”

WHEN: Tuesday, December 30, 2008

WHERE: Spirit of Detroit (2 Woodward Avenue)

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

For further information, please contact the Office of Public Information at 313-596-2200

