Human Rights for Women ↔ Human Rights for All: UDHR 60

Human Rights Day, December 10, marks the end of the 2007 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Campaign and the beginning of the year leading up to the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR 60).

The Center for Women’s Global Leadership is committed to the realization of human rights for all, with a focus on the rights of women, and is pleased to announce its participation in the global 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights: Reclaiming the UDHR Campaign. With the slogan, Every Human Has Rights, different organizations around the world with the support of The Elders will lead in highlighting key aspects of the human rights framework each month and call for a worldwide commitment to realizing human rights.

In the month of March, and using International Women’s Day as an anchor, CWGL will take the lead on highlighting a spectrum of women’s human rights issues and the importance of women’s leadership in realizing human rights for all. As part of this campaign, activities highlighting Human Rights for Women ↔ Human Rights for All will begin March 1 and culminate with the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Campaign 2008 (November 25 to December 10).

It has been increasingly realized by governments, civil society, and multi-lateral institutions that ensuring women’s full equality and participation in society is one of the most effective ways to build a just, peaceful and sustainable world where human rights for all are respected. During the month of March, groups everywhere are encouraged to take up activities that address the human rights challenges facing women around the globe and to celebrate the power and leadership of women in defending human rights. We also call on those planning events for March 8th, International Women’s Day and/or for March as Women’s Month, to include the UDHR and its importance for women in your activities. CWGL and the overall 60th anniversary campaign will feature suggestions for this focus on our website in the coming months.

For more information, please visit:
Center for Women’s Global Leadership: http://www.cwgl.rutgers.edu
UDHR60 Campaign: http://www.everyhumanhasrights.org
UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/60UDHR.aspx