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**President Obama Releases Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Request
A Statement from The National Campaign to Prevent Teen
and Unplanned Pregnancy**

(Washington, DC)—Yesterday President Obama released his Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 budget request, which reflects a commitment to maintaining or increasing funding for programs that reduce teen and unplanned pregnancy. The President's budget request includes strong support for evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs. However, it level funds the Title X Family Planning Program at a time when the program has seen significant cuts.

Specifically, the President's FY 2015 budget:

- Requests \$105 million for the Office of Adolescent Health Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program (TPPP) which would partially restore program funds lost in recent years. The program was originally funded at \$110 million in FY 2010, but had been cut to \$101 million by FY 2014.
- Requests \$6.8 million for evaluation funds for TPPP, down from \$8.5 million in FY 2014.
- Proposes \$286.5 million for the Title X family planning program, which is equal to the program's FY 2014 appropriation, but over \$30 million less than the program received in FY 2010.
- Does not request funding for the \$5 million competitive abstinence grants included in recent appropriations bills.
- Requests a five-year reauthorization of the Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) at \$75 million annually.
- Does not request a reauthorization of the Title V State Abstinence Education Grant Program.
- Requests \$634 million for the Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant, which is equal to the program's FY 2014 appropriation.

"We appreciate that, in these tight fiscal times, the President has maintained his commitment to funding proven approaches to reduce teen and unplanned pregnancy," said Sarah Brown, CEO of The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy. "We are particularly pleased with the strong support for evidence-based teen

pregnancy prevention programs that this budget request reflects. Investments in these programs will continue the incredible progress the nation has made in tackling our still too high teen pregnancy rate.

“However, half of all pregnancies in the U.S. are unplanned, and we have not yet made progress in driving that rate down. In fact, unplanned pregnancy among young adults has been trending up and among unmarried women in their twenties, unplanned pregnancies have become increasingly concentrated among disadvantaged women. At a time when the President has expressed a desire to reduce poverty, improve educational attainment, and increase social and economic mobility, a strong investment in the Title X Family Planning Program would help to accomplish those goals. In 2010 alone, Title X prevented 1.2 million unplanned pregnancies, saving taxpayers \$5.3 billion. Yet cuts in recent years have resulted in fewer low-income women being served by the program. The President’s budget request is a missed opportunity to restore some of the lost program funding and provide more low-income Americans with the effective contraception they need to prevent unplanned pregnancy.”

About The National Campaign: The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy seeks to improve the lives and future prospects of children and families. Our specific strategy is to prevent teen pregnancy and unplanned pregnancy among single, young adults. We support a combination of responsible values and behavior by both men and women and responsible policies in both the public and private sectors. If we are successful, child and family well-being will improve.