



# Congressman Tim Bishop

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## **BISHOP MEETS WITH SUFFOLK COUNTY VICTIMS RIGHTS ADVOCATES**

Washington, DC—This week, Congressman Tim Bishop met with Donna Kukura from Shirley, NY, one of the recipients of the Department of Justice's 2007 National Crime Victims' Rights Week Awards.

Ms. Kukura lost her brother in a tragic, unsolved murder on Christmas Day 2002. She is the Chapter Leader and Cofounder of the Long Island, New York/Suffolk County Chapter of Parents of Murdered Children (POMC). Also attending the awards ceremony was Ms. June Ginty, from Riverhead, NY, who nominated Ms. Kukura for the award. Ms. Ginty is a National Board Member of POMC and Cofounder of the Suffolk County POMC Chapter.

In response to meeting with Ms. Kukura and Ms. Ginty, Congressman Bishop became a co-sponsor of a Congressional resolution supporting the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims (H. Res. 223).

"By turning tragedy into advocacy, Donna Kukura and June Ginty are making a positive difference both in Suffolk County and nationally," Bishop said. "I am honored to join their fight for greater recognition for crime victims."

In the attached photo, Congressman Bishop joins Ms. Donna Kukura (on the left) and Ms. June Ginty in his office in Washington, DC.

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