

## **MEDIA ALERT**

November 21, 2003

**WHAT: GUARDIAN ANGELS ESTABLISH D.C. HEADQUARTERS  
IN COLUMBIA HEIGHTS IN REPOSE TO SHOOTINGS  
(PRESS CONFERENCE)**

**WHO: DC COUNCILMEMBER JIM GRAHAM  
CURTIS SLIWA, GUARDIAN ANGELS FOUNDER/PRESIDENT**

**WHEN: NOVEMBER 24, 2003 AT 2:00 PM (PRESS CONFERENCE)**

**WHERE: 1448 PARK ROAD, NW, WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**BACKGROUND:** In response to the recent spate of armed robberies, gang shootings and other crimes in the Columbia Heights/Mount Pleasant/Adams Morgan neighborhoods of Ward 1 in the District of Columbia, Councilmember Jim Graham and Curtis Sliwa, President of the Alliance of Guardian Angels have partnered to establish a new DC Headquarters for the Guardian Angels in Columbia Heights. A press conference will be held on Monday, November 24, 2003 at 2:00 pm at 1448 Park Road, NW to announce the opening of the new headquarters.

The Guardian Angels will discuss their plans to implement crime prevention programs in Ward 1, including safety patrols, graffiti abatement, gang awareness and intervention, and Guardian Angels recruitment.

The Alliance of Guardian Angels is a 501C3, non-profit organization headquartered in New York City. Its members are volunteers, and all operations are funded by charitable contributions. More information about the organization is available at [www.guardianangels.org](http://www.guardianangels.org).

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