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for Women**

It is with great sadness that Wider Opportunities for Women (WOW) informs you that Beth Shulman, a member of WOW's Board of Directors and a beloved and brilliant colleague, died Friday in the mid-afternoon. She was diagnosed with brain cancer in October and, subsequently, suffered complications from pneumonia. Beth is survived by her husband, Ernie Englander, and son Aaron as well as a host of dear friends and family.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at Tifereth Israel Congregation. The temple is located at 7701 16th Street NW in Washington, DC. See www.tifereth-israel.org for more information.

Beth has served as a visionary, activist, strategist and chronicler on behalf of workers throughout her career. For twenty- two years, she served in various positions with The United Food and Commercial Workers International Union including thirteen years as a Vice President and one of the highest ranked women in unions at that time. Beth began her career as a civil rights lawyer in Memphis, Tennessee focusing on employment discrimination and school desegregation cases.

In 2003, Beth wrote a highly respected book *The Betrayal of Work: How Low-Wage Jobs Fail 30 Million Americans* which exposed how many workers playing by the rules were struggling just to make ends meet. Currently, Beth co-chaired the Low-Wage Work Initiative, worked with the Russell Sage Foundation, as well as serving on a number of boards.

We, at WOW, know Beth as a warm and generous woman who has helped make the experiences of hard working families real to all of us and many throughout the country. Beth's passion, extraordinary mind and vitality have and will continue to inspire us to think more creatively and to continue to work for social change.