

## **Perdue names Durham woman**

RALEIGH -- Gov. Bev Perdue has appointed **Janeen Gingrich** of Durham to the state Domestic Violence Commission.

**Gingrich is director of development for Legal Aid of North Carolina.** She is a volunteer with the Durham Crisis Response Center and co-director of the Survivor-to-Survivor Project for the Southern Documentary Fund. Gingrich co-authored the Best Practices Manual for North Carolina Domestic Violence *Programs* in 2006, while serving as director of programming at the N.C. Coalition Against Domestic Violence. She received her bachelor's degree in family and child development from Virginia Tech and her master's degree in clinical social work from Virginia Commonwealth University.

The commission assesses statewide needs related to domestic violence and assures that necessary services, policies, and programs are provided to those in need. The council also coordinates and collaborates with the N.C. Council for Women in strengthening existing domestic violence programs and establishing new domestic violence programs.