**POLICY TITLE: Leave for Crime Victims and Family Members**

**POLICY NUMBER: 3440**

3440.1 An employee who is a victim of a crime, a member of a crime victim's immediate family (spouse, child, stepchild, sibling, stepsibling, parent, or stepparent), a registered domestic partner of a crime victim, or the child of a registered domestic partner of a crime victim shall be allowed to be absent from work in order to attend judicial proceedings related to that crime, subject to the District’s General Manager determining that work requirements may be maintained during the absence.

3440.2 "Victim" means a person against whom one of the following crimes has been committed:

1. A violent felony, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code;
2. A serious felony, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 1192.7 of the Penal Code; or
3. A felony provision of law proscribing theft or embezzlement.

3440.3 Prior to an employee being absent from work, the employee must provide the District with a copy of the official notice provided to the victim of each scheduled proceeding.

3440.4 An employee absent from work to attend a scheduled proceeding may elect to use accrued vacation leave, sick leave, compensatory time off, or unpaid leave time.

3440.5 The District shall keep confidential any records regarding an employee's absence from work pursuant to this Policy.