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Seventh Judicial District Announces Lactation Room Project

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK — Seventh Judicial District Administrative Judge William K. Taylor and the District's Gender Fairness Committee will be marking the completion of the District's Lactation Room Project with an unveiling ceremony on **Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 12:30 p.m. at the Monroe County Hall of Justice, 99 Exchange Blvd., First Floor, Rochester, New York.**

August is National Breastfeeding Month. The District's Gender Fairness Committee's Lactation Room Project identified private areas that can be designated for court users who are breastfeeding. In addition to Monroe County, the District encompasses Cayuga, Livingston, Ontario, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne and Yates counties.

"We welcome breastfeeding in our court facilities as needed and are making every effort throughout the District to provide private spaces to accommodate the breastfeeding needs of our employees, court users and the public," said Judge Taylor.

Hon. Teresa D. Johnson, the Gender Fairness Committee's co-chair, said "Coming to the courthouse can be a stressful experience for many of our citizens. Those who are breastfeeding should not face the additional stress of trying to figure out where they will feed their child or use a breast pump."

To remind employees and the public that the need to breastfeed should not be an impediment to using our courts, court facilities District-wide now have entryway signs indicating that breastfeeding is welcome in designated areas. In addition, information about designated breastfeeding locations is available in any of the Clerk's Offices or at any Court Security station. All new employees are being advised of the availability of breastfeeding (or breast pumping) locations as part of their regular orientation.

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