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## THE COALITION TO END RELATIONSHIP ABUSE REMEMBERS JIANQIN ZHANG

### MINNESOTA'S 29TH CONFIRMED VICTIM OF INTIMATE PARTNER HOMICIDE IN 2023

Jianqin Zhang, 53, was strangled and killed in Eagan on October 12. Philip Wong, 25, is charged with second-degree murder and first-degree manslaughter. Wong met Jianqin at an Eagan hotel to purchase sex. When the "organization" Jianqin worked for was unable to contact her they reached out to one of her friends. The friend contacted the hotel and a staff member found Jianqin dead in her room. Police learned from the friend that Wong was Jianqin's last client. Wong told police he met Jianqin at the hotel, paid for sex, and claimed afterward he showered and left. He said he received a call from the "organization" later that night saying Jianqin was dead, but he believed they were trying to scam him. However, one of Wong's roommates relayed to police that Wong told her he "choked out" Jianqin and he claimed Jianqin tried to blackmail him. He also alleged Jianqin was still breathing when he left the hotel room. When questioned by police, he denied this version of events. The medical examiner found hemorrhaging on Jianqin Zhang's neck and other marks consistent with strangulation.