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D'AURIA, J., with whom PALMER, J., joins, concurring in the judgment. I concur in this court's judgment affirming the conviction of the defendant, Pedro L. Miranda, of one count of murder in violation of General Statutes § 53a-54a. I agree fully with part I of that opinion. As to part II, I would not hold that the defendant failed to adequately preserve the claim that the trial court improperly permitted the victim's mother to testify that she had heard that the defendant was connected to the victim's disappearance. *Mather v. Griffin Hospital*, 207 Conn. 125, 138, 540 A.2d 666 (1988) (claim "distinctly raised" although "not well articulated"); see also *Fadner v. Commissioner of Revenue Services*, 281 Conn. 719, 729 n.12, 917 A.2d 540 (2007) (court will address issues "'functionally' " raised in trial court). I believe that reviewing his claim would neither offend this court's preservation principles nor ambush either the trial court or the opposing party. I also do not agree that the defendant failed to adequately brief any part of his argument as to this claim. Because the defendant has not demonstrated that the scant evidence elicited from the victim's mother by the state's question resulted in harm, however, I concur in the majority's decision to affirm the trial court's judgment. See *State v. Urbanowski*, 327 Conn. 169, 172, 172 A.3d 201 (2017) (affirming judgment without reaching merits of defendant's evidentiary claim because lack of any demonstrated harm).
