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Clerk's Office Contributes to American Red Cross for Tsunami Relief Effort

CHICAGO (April 14, 2005) - The Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, will present the American Red Cross with a check for \$4,600.78 for the Tsunami Relief Fund on Tuesday, April 19, 2005 at 2:30 p.m., in the Richard J. Daley Center, Room 1001.

On December 26, 2004, the Indian Ocean Tsunami ravaged eight countries: India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives, Seychelles, Somalia, Sri Lanka and Thailand. As of March 31, 2005, more than 174,000 persons were confirmed dead, and there was massive devastation to those areas.

Clerk's Office employees made donations to the Tsunami Relief Fund throughout the months of January and February 2005. Peg Herbst will accept the check on behalf of the Greater Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross.

"We are fortunate to be able to contribute to this worthwhile cause," said Clerk Brown. "I hope that our support will help the American Red Cross continue to provide assistance for those affected by the tsunami disaster."

Since the tsunami struck, the American Red Cross has used millions of dollars in contributions to provide emergency and supplemental food aid, water and sanitation service, vaccinations and health assistance, immediate family supplies and psychosocial assistance in the affected areas.

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