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Clerk Dorothy Brown and Staff "Go Red for Women" On Friday, February 6

What:

The Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, and employees of the Clerk's Office will join companies from across the nation in wearing something red on Friday, February 6, 2009, in support of the American Heart Association's *Wear Red Day*. *Wear Red Day* was created to increase awareness of heart disease, the No. #1 killer of women in the United States. The Clerk's Office is also wearing Red to show their support for the HEART for Women Act, important national legislation that would help ensure that heart disease and stroke are more widely recognized and more effectively treated in women.

"Wear Red Day in the Clerk's Office gives our employees an opportunity to show their concern, and to demonstrate their commitment to help efforts that could reduce the occurrence of heart disease in women," said Clerk Brown.

"The day also provides our office with an opportunity to show support for the HEART for Women Act that will be re-introduced in the Senate and in the House by mid-February 2009. This important legislation will authorize grants to educate healthcare professionals about the prevalence of heart disease, and unique aspects for prevention, in women; require that healthcare data is reported by race and gender to benefit clinical trials and research; in addition to improving the screening opportunities for low-income women at risk for heart disease and stroke," added Clerk Brown.

To commemorate the day, Clerk Brown and more than 50 Clerk's Office employees wearing red gather for a group photo in the Daley Center.

When: Friday, February 6, 2009

1:30 p.m.

Where: Richard J. Daley Center

50 West Washington, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Lobby

**Details:** Wear Red Day is a component of Go Red For Women, the American Heart Association's

national campaign to raise awareness of heart disease and encourage women to take charge of

their health.