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WAL-MART AND SAM'S CLUB TEAM UP WITH AMERICA'S SECOND HARVEST TO FIGHT HUNGER IN AMERICA

Stores and Clubs Provide Opportunities for Customers to Donate Cash in March; Company to Provide a Matching Grant of \$5 Million

*****Just 10 days to go!*****

Take advantage of this opportunity to Be a Part of the Solution to End Hunger!

WHAT: Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB will commit \$5 million in consumer donations and \$5 million in matching grants to the America's Second Harvest Network of food banks and food-rescue organizations to secure and distribute more nutritious food to those in need, expand its BackPack Program and develop its Agency Sustainability Program. Aiming to enhance the nutritional mix, Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB locations will help to provide healthier options to the food banks throughout the country. More than 22 million pounds of fresh produce, protein and whole wheat—accounting for 6.5% of the total volume of food provided by America's Second Harvest by September 30, 2006—will be delivered to millions of hungry Americans.

This commitment, which is an extension of a partnership Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB developed with America's Second Harvest following Hurricane Katrina, will help to address the national hunger crisis affecting Americans every day. According to the recently-released Hunger in America 2006 study commissioned by America's Second Harvest, more than 25 million Americans, including nearly 9 million children and nearly 3 million seniors, request emergency food assistance, representing an 8 percent increase since 2001.

WHO: Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB customers can be a part of the fight to combat hunger and make a difference in their communities nationwide by donating cash at stores and Clubs during the month of March. Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB will match the first \$5 million raised.

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WHEN: March 2006

WHERE: Wal-Mart and SAM'S CLUB locations nationwide Stores in the NIFB service area: [See Attached spreadsheet]

- NIFB STATS: ü It is estimated that 187,500 different people in northern Illinois seek emergency food assistance from agencies served by NIFB each year and are typically part of hard working, low-income families that have to make choices between food and everyday necessities ü NIFB is the only America's Second Harvest food bank serving northern Illinois; serving a network of over 520 food assistance sites ü Each week 37,400 people receive assistance from NIFB's partner agencies each week

Northern Illinois Food Bank, a member of America's Second Harvest – The Nation's Food Bank Network acquires donated food from retailers, manufacturers, corporations, and community resources and distributes it through its network of more than 520 food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens, and other nonprofit food assistance sites to help the 262,565 people living in poverty in 13 northern Illinois counties including Boone, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Will, and Winnebago Counties. NIFB has been committed to helping feed hungry people for more than 20 years. For more information on NIFB, please visit www.northernillfoodbank.org.

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America's Second Harvest -- The Nation's Food Bank Network is the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the country with a Network of more than 200 Member food banks and food-rescue programs serving all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. The America's Second Harvest Network secures and distributes more than 2 billion pounds of donated food and grocery products annually; and supports approximately 50,000 local charitable agencies operating more than 94,000 programs, including food pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, after-school programs and Kids Cafes. Last year, the America's Second Harvest Network provided food assistance to more than 25 million low-income hungry people in the United States, including nearly 9 million children and 3 million seniors. For more on America's Second Harvest, please visit www.seconddharvest.org.

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