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**CLERK'S RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM HELPS
CREATE A WORLD WITH MORE BIRTHDAYS**

Proceeds from workplace fundraising to benefit American Cancer Society

(Lawrenceville, Ga., May 3, 2016) – Employees of the Gwinnett County Clerk of Courts' office are doing their part in the fight against cancer by raising money in support of the American Cancer Society's annual Relay For Life.

In addition to traditional fundraising efforts, Clerk of Court Richard Alexander introduced *Casual for a Cure*, a workplace fundraising campaign to benefit Relay For Life team, "Courthouse Crew." The program allows the Clerk's staff to wear jeans on Thursdays in exchange for a \$1 donation to the American Cancer Society.

"I think *Casual for a Cure* has been a positive experience for our office," said Alexander. "Community involvement is an important component in teambuilding and watching employees work together on this has been really rewarding."

Relay For Life is a chance for communities to fight back against cancer. It's a chance to honor those who are currently fighting cancer, those who have beat it, and those brave individuals who have lost their lives to the unforgiving disease. It's a night for the community to come together to walk around a track to raise money to fight a disease that has claimed too many of its neighbors.

It's also a chance to celebrate and remember. The event kicks off with a Survivor Lap, where cancer survivors are honored by their loved ones, and all those who are present, for their courage. A Luminaria Ceremony takes place later that evening, where candles are lit in honor or memory of all those who have been affected by cancer.

"I enjoy participating in *Casual for a Cure* and have been contributing my dollar every Thursday. It supports a good cause and I think it boosts morale in the office," said Rita Eason, Deputy Clerk. "I like wearing jeans and don't mind paying \$1 when it benefits such a good cause."

Proceeds raised from Relay For Life allow the American Cancer Society to continue providing around the clock services to cancer patients and their families. Millions of cancer survivors will add another candle to their birthday cakes this year; and thanks to teams like Courthouse Crew, this number continues to increase. This year Courthouse Crew has raised \$3,860.

This year's Relay For Life event will be held at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds on May 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. To find out more information about Relay For Life visit www.realyforlife.org or call 1-800-227-2345.

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