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****MEDIA ALERT** **MEDIA ALERT**
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**CAN NORTH CAROLINA REACH 4
MILLION REGISTERED DONORS IN APRIL,
NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH?**

**State Legislator to Issue Challenge at Press Conference on March
25**

WHAT: North Carolina is approaching a milestone of 4 million registered donors as April, National Donate Life Month, draws near. The month is a time to celebrate the tremendous generosity of those who have saved and enhanced the lives of others by becoming organ, tissue, and eye donors. Rep. Dale Folwell (Winston-Salem) will issue a challenge to North Carolinians to reach that goal by April 30 which will require nearly doubling the normal pace of registered donors.

WHEN: Thursday, March 25, 2010
2:00pm

WHERE: Steps of the State Legislative Building
16 West Jones Street
Raleigh, NC

WHO:

- Representative Dale Folwell (Winston-Salem)

- Tony Spence, Director of Driver and Vehicle Services for the NC Department of Motor Vehicles
- Dawn Hall, Director of Communications for Carolina Donor Services and Chairperson of Donate Life North Carolina
- Delores Benton Evans, of Durham, NC. Ms. Evans received her son Ryan's kidney the day after he died
- Travis Hardee, a heart recipient from Greenville, NC

VISUALS: Rep. Dale Folwell (Winston-Salem) will issue a challenge to North Carolinians to reach 4 million registered donors by April 30 which will require nearly doubling the normal pace of registered donors.

Tony Spence, the Director of Driver and Vehicle Services for the NC Department of Motor Vehicles, will also make remarks about the important role the DMV and driver's license examiners plays in donation.

Delores Benton Evans, of Durham, NC, received son Ryan's kidney the day after he died and will share her touching story. Travis Hardee, a recent heart recipient from Greenville, NC, will share how thankful he is to have a second chance at life.

About Carolina Donor Services

Carolina Donor Services is the federally-designated, non-profit organ and tissue donation organization serving 6.1 million people in 78 counties of North Carolina and Danville, Virginia. Carolina Donor Services maximizes the passing of the heroic gift of life from one human being to another through organ and tissue donation. In North Carolina, over 3,000 people are currently waiting for an organ transplant, and nationally, more than 103,000 people are on the organ waiting list. For more information, visit www.carolinadonorservices.org; call 1-800-200-2672 or write 3621 Lyckan Parkway, Durham, NC 27707

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