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RENAISSANCE CANCER FOUNDATION RECEIVES \$3,500 CHECK FROM HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT CLERK STAFF

Edinburg, Texas – Hidalgo County District Clerk Staff presented today a check totaling \$3,500 to the Renaissance Cancer Foundation as part of their *Blues for Bucks* Workplace Fundraising Campaign to benefit local charitable organizations. The Renaissance Cancer Foundation is a private, non-profit organization established to help local cancer patients with the medical needs and emotional challenges related to the illness.

“We are delighted to contribute to the Renaissance Cancer Foundation to assist in their efforts in addressing the needs of cancer patients in our region,” said Laura Hinojosa, Hidalgo County District Clerk. “We encourage other organizations to give of their time and/or money to this important endeavor. Together, our contributions can help make cancer services and education more accessible to the many friends and families who are affected by this disease and the community at large.”

The district clerk office kicked off their charitable efforts in 2008 as part of the American Heart Association’s *Go Red for Women* campaign. The program, which allows department staff to wear jeans every Friday in exchange for a \$5 donation, has since then expanded their efforts through the creation of a “charitable organizations list” of which staff randomly selects a recipient every six months. Over the past two years the district clerk office has collected over \$14,000 which has gone to local charitable organizations in Hidalgo County.

“The Renaissance Cancer Foundation is honored to have been selected as the recipient of the Hidalgo County District Clerk Office workplace fundraising campaign,” said Marissa Castaneda, Renaissance Chief Operations Officer. “The main goal of our foundation is to help cancer patients with the medical and emotional challenges they are faced with by offering community outreach, education and awareness for cancer related illnesses throughout the Rio Grande Valley. It is a privilege to know that other agencies among our community such as the Hidalgo County District Clerk Office are vested in promoting our local resident’s well-being as much as we are. Together we will continue our commitment to our community’s health and well-being.”

For more information on volunteer opportunities or making a contribution to the Renaissance Cancer Foundation, log on to www.dhr-rgv.com, or contact Marissa Castaneda, Chief Operations Officer at (956) 362-7360.

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