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Anne Katz-Jacobson of West Yarmouth in Mississippi to Support Red Cross Disaster Relief Efforts

HYANNIS --- Anne Katz-Jacobson of West Yarmouth deployed to Smithville, Mississippi in support of the Red Cross Disaster Relief Efforts after the deadly tornadoes affected the area.

Anne arrived in Smithville on Sunday and will stay for two weeks in the area near Smithville and Chickapaw where she is supporting the relief efforts in Health Services. The Red Cross has set up numerous first aid stations. It also has mental health teams on the ground as most people have lost absolutely everything. Anne has deployed to support National relief efforts before.

Tornadoes caused heavy damage in Alabama, Mississippi, Oklahoma, North Carolina and Virginia and in the last two weeks, the American Red Cross has:

- Provided more than 1,500 overnight stays in nearly 40 shelters.
- Served nearly 90,000 meals and snacks
- Distributed more than 8,200 items such as personal hygiene supplies and other materials to help with clean-up efforts.
- Provided nearly 2,000 mental health and health services contacts.
- North Carolina was hit especially hard and the Red Cross has served nearly 40,000 meals and snacks in North Carolina alone.

Anne Katz-Jacobson is one of more than 1,100 Red Cross disaster workers who have been deployed to help the people affected by the devastating tornadoes and wildfires which have left widespread damage across the south. The volunteers are working around the clock, providing people with shelter, meals, counseling and supplies to help with clean-up efforts. The Red Cross is helping people today and will still be helping them in the weeks ahead as they try to get back on their feet.

All American Red Cross disaster assistance is free, made possible by voluntary donations of time and money from the American people. You can help people affected by disasters like tornadoes, as well as countless crises at home and around the world, by making a donation to support American Red Cross Disaster Relief. Your gift enables the Red Cross to prepare for and provide shelter, food, emotional support and other assistance in response to disasters. Visit www.redcross.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Contributions may also be sent to your local American Red Cross chapter or to the American Red Cross, P. O. Box 37243, Washington, DC 20013.