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Media ALERT

Red Cross Receives \$30,000 through 10th Annual Seaside Le Mans Event, Presented by Davenport Companies

Hyannis, MA, November 8th, 2010 –The Cape Cod and Islands Chapter, American Red Cross is pleased to announce that it received \$30,000 towards its programs from the proceeds of the 10th Annual Seaside Le Mans – The Race for the Cape Cod Community, organized by the Davenport Companies. The grant was provided from the Seaside LeMans Fund of the Cape Cod Foundation.

When presented with the check after the event, Glen Beasley, Executive Director of the Cape Cod and Islands Chapter said: "*This support could not have come at a better time, as Red Cross volunteers continue to support those in need in our community after local disasters We just staffed and supported ten shelters and numerous residents and visitors on Cape Cod and the Islands last weekend before, during and after Hurricane Earl.*" *We continue to offer special life saving skills training programs to schools and adults and we must continue to be ready and prepared for the next disaster. Thank you to those who sponsored Seaside Le Mans and thank you to all employees at the Davenport Companies who made this day another success!"*

The American Red Cross was of four beneficiaries for the 10th Seaside Le Mans – The Race for the Cape Cod Community, This event, presented and underwritten by The Davenport Companies, features teams of sponsors driving Formula One karts during a four-hour endurance race on an outdoor track with the top six finishers advancing to a 30-minute elite showdown to determine the winner. The Davenport Companies, which covers all event related costs, works with F1 Boston to organize and manage the race. The event is free to spectators, and also features entertainment and children's activities. Over the past nine years, the race has raised over \$2.8 million for Cape Cod organizations through sponsorships and matching grants.

Established in 1956, The Davenport Companies remain family owned and operated. The South Yarmouth-based operation has evolved into a real estate holding and investment company with businesses in the hospitality, services and real estate industries. For more information on the race and sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.seasidelemans.org or contact DeWitt Davenport or Beth Patkoske at 508-398-2293.

For more information about Disaster Preparedness, Training, Volunteering, or donating, contact American Red Cross, Cape Cod and Islands Chapter, 286 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601, (508) 775-1540 or check out www.cciredcross.org.

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