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# Georgia Department of Community Health Partners with 18 State Agencies to Support Making Strides Campaign

**ATLANTA** – Eighteen state agencies, including the Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH), have joined together to help make this year's American Cancer Society's Making Strides Campaign the most successful to date by encouraging state employee participation.

DCH employees utilized various fundraising tactics including agency-wide bake sales, coin drops, auctions and raffles to raise money for the Making Strides Campaign. These efforts consistently placed the DCH team among the top teams involved in the event.

"Supporting the Making Strides Campaign was our opportunity to honor breast cancer survivors, educate men and women about breast cancer prevention, early detection and treatment," said Dr. Medows. "I am encouraged by the overwhelming employee response to support this cause."

As of October 19, 2007 the state agencies raised \$42,160.03 and committed 376 walkers to participate in the Making Strides Walk on Saturday, October 27, 2007 at Atlantic Station.

"Through their contributions and hard work, our employees have proven that public service means more than just their professional career, it is a personal commitment," said Gena Abraham, Ph.D. State Property Officer of Georgia. "I am so proud of what they have accomplished for such a worthy cause as breast cancer awareness and prevention."

Participating state agencies include:

1. DCH
2. Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia
3. Georgia Board of Pardons and Paroles
4. Georgia Building Authority
5. Georgia Bureau of Investigation
6. Georgia Department of Administrative Services
7. Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts
8. Georgia Department of Corrections
9. Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR), Division of Public Health
10. DHR, Office of Investigate Services
11. Georgia Department of Public Safety
12. Georgia Department of Revenue

13. Georgia Emergency Management Agency
14. Georgia Merit System
15. Governor's Office of Highway Safety
16. Georgia Public Broadcasting
17. Georgia Technology Authority
18. State Financing and Investment Commission

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