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### A Call for Action from Scouters for Haiti Relief Efforts

Dear Fellow Scouters,

We have all been saddened by the devastating earthquake that struck Haiti on January 12, 2010, leaving tens of thousands feared dead and millions of residents displaced. There are many organizations providing critical aid including water, food, shelter and medical care. We would like to call on all of our members to help in these efforts.

We are encouraging our Beaver, Cub, Scout, Venturer and Rover sections to donate one week's dues in support of the Haiti Earthquake relief. We undertook a similar effort during the Tsunami tragedy and raised \$36,000 over a 3 week period.

All funds received from Scouting members will be collected here and forwarded directly to the Canadian Red Cross, Haiti Earthquake Fund. The federal government has announced a matching grant for all donations received before February 12, 2010 and we hope to take advantage of this.

To participate, please send your donations for Haiti Relief by February 12, 2010 to:

**Scouts Canada, 1345 Baseline Road, Ottawa ON, K2C 0A7. Cheques should be made payable to the Scouts Canada Foundation – Haiti Relief.** Donations can also be accepted over the phone via credit card by calling (613) 224-5134. Although we are unable to provide tax receipts for group donations, we will issue tax receipts to any individuals who donate.

We have also extended our condolences to the Governor General and Chief Scout, Michaëlle Jean, as well as the International Commissioner of Scouts d'Haiti, Madame Renide Mathieu and offered our assistance in any way needed to the Association des Scouts d'Haïti.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Haiti residents and their families, and we hope that Haiti's rehabilitation efforts are completed swiftly and safely.

Sincerely,

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