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**Edina Realty Joins Minnesota FoodShare Campaign
to Stock State's Food Shelves**

EDINA, Minn. (March 2, 2009)– Edina Realty, the Midwest's largest residential real estate firm, is helping raise awareness for hunger issues and collecting food and other donations for the state's food shelves by participating in Minnesota's March FoodShare Campaign, the largest food drive in the state.

Throughout March, participating Minnesota Edina Realty offices will be drop sites for the annual food drive. Items in need include non-perishable canned or packaged foods; baby items including diapers, formula and cereal; and various household basics such as toilet paper, shampoo, laundry and dish soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

According to Minnesota FoodShare, in 2008, there were more than 2 million food shelf visits statewide and food shelf usage continues to climb. During last year alone, 50 million pounds of food were distributed to Minnesota families, and with today's challenging economy, donations will be even more important in 2009.

"We are pleased that we can contribute to such a worthy cause and help Minnesota families in need," said Bob Peltier, Edina Realty president and CEO. "We encourage everyone to stop by your participating neighborhood Edina Realty location and drop off donations."

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