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Wal-Mart Announces \$27,500 in Donations to Riverhead Community

-- Support totals more than \$10 million in New York, and \$374,790 on Long Island --

Riverhead, NY –March 24, 2008 – Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. announced today that the company has contributed more than \$27,500 to support groups and initiatives in the Riverhead community for 2007. Philanthropic support in the state of New York totaled more than \$10 million in 2007 with \$374,790 being contributed to Long Island communities. In total, Wal-Mart contributed more than 470 million supporting its 4,000-plus U.S.-based communities.

“Wal-Mart is committed to being a good neighbor and valuable member of the Riverhead community,” said Steven V. Restivo, Director of Corporate Affairs – Northeast Region. “We have been involved with many community-based initiatives in Riverhead, and look forward to forging even greater relationships in the future.”

Corporate giving at Wal-Mart is governed by a philosophy that was instituted by the company’s founder, the late Sam Walton: operate globally and give back locally. The majority of the company’s giving occurs at the local level as each Wal-Mart and Sam’s Club location is empowered to support the issues and causes that are important to their neighborhoods.

Wal-Mart has helped fund several projects in Riverhead over the course of 2007 some of which include:

- Riverhead Middle School
- Independent Group Home Living
- Guide dog Foundation for the Blind
- Timothy Hill Children’s Ranch
- City of Riverhead Fire Department
- Suffolk County Make-a-Wish foundation.
- Anchor Program Fund

“Through these donations we will continue to play an integral role in our local communities. Wal-Mart understands the importance of investing in the communities where our customers and associates live and work,” said Restivo. “Our retail divisions work closely with our customers to support schools, food banks, youth programs, and non-profit groups in their local communities. We are glad to be in a position to make a real difference. This is one way that Wal-Mart can give back to the people and neighborhoods that have given us so much.”

Last year Wal-Mart was recognized by the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* as the largest corporate cash contributor in America. Charitable contributions from Wal-Mart support a variety of causes and issues in the areas of education, the environment, health and human services, civic and community groups and culture and the arts.

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Volunteering is also a key component of Wal-Mart's corporate giving philosophy. Associates are strongly encouraged to become involved in organizations that make a positive difference in the local quality of life, and Wal-Mart gives grants to qualifying organizations in recognition of associate volunteer hours. Last year, associates donated more than 1 million volunteer hours resulting in \$5 million in grants to the organizations supported through volunteer efforts.

Recipients are selected for the significant impact the projects will have in their local communities. Charitable organizations interested in receiving support from the Wal-Mart and Sam's Club Foundation are advised to visit their local Wal-Mart store, Neighborhood Market or Sam's Club location.

About Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WMT)

Every week, more than 127 million customers visit Wal-Mart Stores, Supercenters, Neighborhood Markets, and Sam's Club locations across America or log on to its online store at www.walmart.com. The company and its Foundation are committed to a philosophy of giving back locally. Wal-Mart (NYSE: WMT) is proud to support the causes that are important to customers and associates right in their own neighborhoods, and last year gave more than \$270 million to local communities in the United States. To learn more, visit www.walmartfacts.com, www.walmartstores.com, or www.walmartfoundation.org.

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