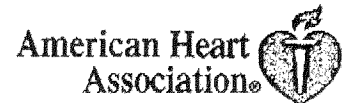


January 26, 2004



Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke

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Dear Maggie,

I would like to request acknowledgement from the City Council for a raffle we plan to hold on February 7, 2004. This raffle will be held during our Rapid City Heart Ball event at the Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center with all proceeds to benefit the American Heart Association. We will be raffling off a Riddles Jewelry item and possibly airline tickets to Maui (waiting on confirmation).

I have included a copy of our 501c3 certificate to verify our non-profit status. Gifts and contributions used to support the Heart Ball will contribute to the life-saving work we are doing in the areas of research, professional and public education, and community service programs. These programs are all designed to help reduce disability and death due to heart attack, stroke, and other circulatory diseases.

Thank you for your consideration. I will call on January 28th to verify that this request has been acknowledged.

*Robin Albers*

**Regional Director**

**AHA, Northland Affiliate, New Underwood, SD**

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Our records show that the American Heart Association, Inc. is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Group Ruling Number 1049 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This exemption was granted in July 1949 and remains in full force and effect. American Heart Association is included in this group ruling. Contributions to your organization are deductible as provided by section 170 of the code.

We have classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code because you are an organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

If we may be of further assistance, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely,



EP/EO Correspondence Examiner  
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