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N.G.A. SUPERMARKET SYNERGY SHOWCASE (S3) CONCEPT SHOW FLOOR PARTICIPANTS DONATES MORE THAN \$15,000 OF FOOD AND SUPPLIES TO LOCAL CHARITY

ARLINGTON, VA, -- The National Grocers Association (N.G.A.) held its 2008 N.G.A. Annual Convention and Supermarket Synergy Showcase Concept Show, at the Paris Las Vegas Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, February 5-8, 2008. For the fifth year in a row with the collaboration of Concept Show Floor participants, the Paris Las Vegas Hotel, and Freeman Company more than \$15,000 worth of food and supplies were donated to Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada.

"N.G.A. is involved in numerous outreach efforts and we are pleased to encourage our members and Concept Show Floor participants to contribute to such a worthy and meaningful organization" said Christine Cunnick, Director of Communications for the National Grocers Association.

Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada feed hungry children, families, seniors and the homeless. Catholic Charities has one focus: to give help and hope to people in need regardless of race, religion or creed. Catholic Charities serves more than 1.2 million meals per year. More than 100 families receive bagged groceries from the Catholic Charities Food Pantry daily. More than 1,500 hot and nutritious meals are served to men, women and children in the St. Vincent Lied Dining Facility every day of the year. More than 1,000 senior clients receive 7 meals and supplements weekly from Catholic Charities Senior Services Meals on Wheels Program; more than 430,000 meals are delivered during the past year.

For more information visit www.catholiccharitiesinfo.org or <http://catholiccharities.linklv.com>

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N.G.A. is the national trade association representing the retail and wholesale grocers that comprise the independent sector of the food distribution industry. An independent retailer is a privately owned or controlled food retail company operating a variety of formats. Most independent operators are serviced by wholesale distributors, while others may be partially or fully self-distributing. Some are publicly traded but with controlling shares held by the family and others are employee owned. Independents are the true "entrepreneurs" of the grocery industry and dedicated to their customers, associates, and communities. N.G.A. members include retail and wholesale grocers, state grocers associations, as well as manufacturers and service suppliers. For more information about N.G.A. and the independent sector of the industry, see the N.G.A. website: www.NationalGrocers.org.