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HURRICANE POSTER PROJECT FOUNDER DONATES PROCEEDS TO LOUISIANA CAPITOL AREA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

The Secretary of State's Office and Hurricane Poster Project founder Leif Steiner are presenting a \$45,000 donation to the Louisiana Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross. Congressman Richard Baker will accept the donation on behalf of Secretary of State Jay Dardenne and present it to Red Cross CEO Victor Howell.

The Hurricane Poster Project, founded by Steiner of Boulder, Colo., was a result of watching the tragic events unfold during Hurricane Katrina. The project, consisting of works from graphic artists across the world, premiered at the Old State Capitol on the first anniversary of the storm. Fifty-six of the posters from the opening were donated to the Old State Capitol collection.

In commemoration of the second anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, the posters have been rehung in the Treasurer's Office on the first floor of the Old State Capitol. They can be viewed during regular museum hours until Dec. 21.

For more information about Louisiana's Old State Capitol, or the Secretary of State's Museums Program, visit our Web site at <u>http://www.sos.louisiana.gov/museums</u>.

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