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Bob Love to be Featured Speaker at Second Annual Caregiver Tribute Luncheon

JOLIET, IL---The Alzheimer's Association – Greater Illinois Chapter is pleased to announce that Former Chicago Bull Bob Love will be the featured speaker at their second annual Caregiver Tribute Luncheon Friday, November 14 from 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Joliet Area Community Hospice, 250 Water Stone Circle Drive, Joliet.

"We are very excited that Bob Love has agreed to share his story of struggle, survival, hope and love," said Melanie Adams, Senior Program Manager for the Chapter. "In his current position, with the Bulls, Love makes more than three hundred appearances and speaks to more than 250,000 people each year. His inspirational story will be a wonderful asset to our uplifting luncheon."

In 2003, there were 250,000 Caregivers between the ages of eight and 18 who provided unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. These children accounted for 18% of the 1.4 million children who provide unpaid help for a person with a special need. In Illinois alone, there were 347,136 Alzheimer's caregivers of all ages that provided a total of 299,647,682 hours of unpaid care in 2007. The 2007 economic value of unpaid care for persons with Alzheimer's disease was \$3,170,272,472.

To register for this event call the Greater Illinois Chapter at 815.744.0804 or visit www.alz.org/illinois.

About the Alzheimer's Association - The Alzheimer's Association, the world leader in Alzheimer research and support, is the largest voluntary health organization dedicated to finding prevention methods, treatments and cure for Alzheimer's. Since 1980, the donor-supported, nonprofit Alzheimer's Association has provided reliable information and care consultation; created supportive services for families; increased funding for dementia research; and influenced public policy changes. **The Greater Illinois Chapter** serves dozens of counties with offices in Bloomington, Carterville, Chicago, Joliet, Rockford and Springfield. For more information, call our Helpline at 800-272-3900 or visit www.alz.org/illinois.

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