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DONNA F. ZARCONI, PRESIDENT & CEO OF ECONOMIC CLUB OF CHICAGO, TO BE HONORED AT MS SOCIETY'S WOMEN ON THE MOVE LUNCHEON

CHICAGO, Monday, July 15, 2012— The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Greater Illinois Chapter will host its fifth annual Women on the Move Luncheon on Friday, August 3, starting at 11:30 a.m., at the Ritz-Carlton in downtown Chicago. Donna F. Zarcone, President and CEO of The Economic Club of Chicago, will be honored as the luncheon's keynote speaker and 2012 Woman on the Move.

Zarcone was appointed this past February as President of the Economic Club, one of nation's most influential forums for the dissemination of economic, business and social views, dedicated to fostering the development of leaders within Chicago's civic and business community. She currently serves on three corporate boards, Cigna Corporation, CDW and The Duchossois Group, and previously served on the boards of The Jones Group and Wrightwood Capital. She is an experienced chief executive and board director as well as a frequent speaker at industry and corporate governance conferences.

"It's important that business leaders be engaged in the community and its greater good," said Zarcone. "This is one of the things that make Chicago special: Many of our business leaders are also great civic leaders. I am delighted to be a part of this important luncheon that brings so many influential women together to advocate for MS."

Two-thirds of those diagnosed with multiple sclerosis are women. The Women on the Move luncheon is a nationwide fundraising event that brings exceptional women, community and business leaders together in a social environment and provides an opportunity for networking and education, while raising funds to benefit the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The 2012 event includes a keynote address, lunch, silent auction, raffle and the opportunity to meet influential women working in the Chicago area.

Tickets can be purchased at WomenontheMoveChicago.org. For more information on group rates and sponsorship opportunities, contact Jill Robisch at jill.robisch@nmss.org or 312.423.1174.

The Greater Illinois Chapter mobilizes people and resources to drive research for a cure and to address the challenges of everyone affected by MS. The Society envisions a world free of MS and moves toward that end by driving change through advocacy, facilitating education, collaborating with others and by providing helpful programs and services.

Every hour in the United States, someone is newly diagnosed with MS, an unpredictable, often disabling autoimmune disease of the central nervous system. MS interrupts the flow of information between the brain and body, and it stops people from moving—affecting more than 400,000 people in the U.S. and 2.5 million worldwide. For more information, visit MSIllinois.org.

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