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**DEATH OF CATHERINE M. CURTIS, LEE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR**

FORT MYERS, Fla. (April 4, 2012) – We are saddened by the loss of Lee County Tax Collector Catherine M. Curtis. Mrs. Curtis passed away after a lengthy illness shortly before noon today. She was born on November 25, 1959, in Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Curtis was elected Lee County Tax Collector in 2000. Her vision and leadership enabled her to provide excellent customer service to the citizens of Lee County.

Prior to her serving as Tax Collector, Mrs. Curtis worked nine years in the private sector as a practicing Certified Public Accountant auditing real estate and life insurance companies, governmental agencies including constitutional officers, counties, cities, and public school districts. Mrs. Curtis was Collier County Controller from 1991 to 1994, and Management and Budget Director for the City of Fort Myers from 1994 to 2000. Mrs. Curtis earned her Associate of Arts degree from the University of Maryland, Munich, Germany campus, a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northeast Louisiana University.

Service information will be forthcoming.

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