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Jesse White Encourages Organ/Tissue Donation for National Minority Donor Awareness Week

Chicago Police Superintendent awaiting kidney transplant in attendance

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Secretary of State Jesse White hosted National Minority Donor Awareness Week event “Wave Away the Waiting” to promote organ/tissue donation for multicultural communities. White was joined by Chicago Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, who is awaiting a kidney, as well as other donor recipients and families. Nationally, minorities comprise 63 percent of the waiting list for organ transplants and account for only 33 percent of those who donated organs, according to recent figures from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Illinoisans can register with the Secretary of State’s Organ/Tissue Donor Registry online at LifeGoesOn.com, by calling 1-800-210-2106 or by visiting their local Driver Services facility. The Jesse White Tumbling Team performed at the event.

