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**CASTAWAYS AGAINST CANCER RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM RANKS 9th
IN U.S. WITH THE SUPPORT OF TOTALBANK**

MIAMI – December 30, 2013 – TotalBank was a proud participant with **Castaways Against Cancer** in support of the American Cancer Society (ACS). As a Lower Keys Relay For Life team, sixteen intrepid kayakers shoved off from Virginia Key this past summer for the “Trip Around the Sun Tour” and paddled from **Miami to Key West**. Raising \$114,593 with the aid of **TEAM TotalBank**, Castaways Against Cancer ranks ninth in the nation for Relay For Life teams, and as the Lower Keys Relay For Life team earned third-place for highest fundraising team in the state of Florida. This year approximately 5,600 communities participated across the U.S., and 360 Relays took place in Florida alone, with an estimated 10 to 90 teams per Relay.

TotalBank teamed up this year with the Castaways for their 14th annual fundraising ACS Relay For Life event. Because of the overwhelming support received from TotalBank employees, customers and friends, they quickly surpassed and more than doubled their initial fundraising goal of \$50,000.

“We are thrilled with this year’s Relay For Life results and are appreciative of all the help and support we received from TotalBank. The bar has been set high for next year, but we are excited to see what we’ll be able to accomplish,” stated Steve O’Brien, founder of Castaways Against Cancer. “This was a physically grueling event, but surpassing our initial goal was incredible and worth all the effort and hard work,” said Patrick Linfors, captain of the Castaways team.

“For the past 14 years, Castaways Against Cancer has been committed to the fight against cancer and has defined a standard of community giving and sacrifice that is a model for imitation. TotalBank was honored to be their partner in raising funds for life-saving cancer research,” stated Luis de la Aguilera, President and Chief Executive Officer for TotalBank.

Averaging more than 22 miles a day, the Castaways paddled a total of 160 miles during their seven-day-long journey.

About Relay For Life

Each year, more than four million people in over 20 countries raise much-needed funds and awareness to save lives from cancer through the Relay For Life movement. At Relay For Life events, communities across the globe come together to honor cancer survivors, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against cancer. <http://www.relayforlife.org>

About Castaways Against Cancer

The mission of **Castaways Against Cancer** is to help find a cure for cancer and to honor those who have fought the fight. The money the team raises supports the American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life of the

Lower Keys. To learn more, including pictures and movies of past trips, please check out www.castawaysagainstcancer.com.

About TotalBank

TotalBank is a leading integrated retail-commercial bank in South Florida with more than \$2.5 billion in assets and 21 convenient locations throughout Miami-Dade County. Headquartered in Miami, TotalBank has served the South Florida community for 39 years, offering a broad range of domestic and international financial services to corporations, small businesses and individual consumers. The bank offers superior customer service focused on meeting the financial needs of customers while earning their confidence and loyalty. A member of Grupo Banco Popular Español, with more than \$200 billion in assets and 2,500 branches, TotalBank is strengthened by its parent, one of the largest banking groups in Spain. More information can be found at www.totalbank.com.

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