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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

St. Louis County Auditor Service Center to re-open at Mall on March 25 Brings with it high speed Internet access to entire Miller Hill Mall

The St. Louis County Auditor Service Center is moving back to the Miller Hill Mall and will re-open at its new location next to JCPenney on Monday, March 25. The Service Center's return brings with it a significant improvement for all Mall businesses – access to high speed Internet.

The Service Center – which handles transactions ranging from updating driver's licenses and passports, to purchasing license tabs and paying property taxes – has been operating out of the Duluth Courthouse since the first of the year while the new space was renovated. It will remain open at the Duluth Courthouse, Room 214, through Friday, March 22. When it reopens at the Mall on March 25, the Service Center will resume its normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Included in the construction of the new space is a connection to high-speed Internet. St. Louis County, through federal funding from the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), was slated to receive high-speed fiber optic cabling at the Service Center. NESC, in collaboration with Century Link, was able to bring high-speed broadband to all Mall tenants at the same time. This gives mall retailers the ability to speed up credit card transactions and any other services involving the Internet.

“We're happy to be back at the Mall, because we know it's a convenient location for our customers,” said Donald Dicklich, St. Louis County Auditor. “And it's nice to know that so

many other businesses will be able to benefit from the improvements we're making for the Service Center.”

The Service Center's new location is on the south side of the Mall, between JCPenney and Younkers. It has been at the Mall since 2004, but had to relocate to make room for the arrival of Dick's Sporting Goods.

With a staff of 13, the Service Center handles approximately 92,000 transactions each year. For more information, contact the St. Louis County Auditor's Office at (218) 726-2380 or visit www.stlouiscountymn.gov.

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