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Seattle Laces Up to Beat the Bridge and Diabetes

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--Over \$1 Million Raised at Annual Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes Event

SEATTLE, May 17, 2009 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- On Sunday, May 17, over 9,000 runners, walkers and all manner of fleet footed fundraisers in the fight against diabetes gathered at University of Washington's Husky Stadium to participate in the 27th Annual Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes event to benefit the Northwest Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). Contributions from Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes are expected to exceed \$1 million for diabetes research this year; raising more than \$10 million since its inception in 1983.

Approximately 1,000 Nordstrom employees and JDRF supporters volunteered over 5,000 hours this year for the Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes event. "We've made great strides in research with funds raised at the Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes over the past 27 years," said Nadine Heichel, executive director of the JDRF Northwest Chapter. "Thanks to the generosity of the Nordstrom employees, individuals, and family teams, we are funding the world's best diabetes research and moving closer to a cure for this devastating disease."

The Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes competitive 8K is the fourth largest 8K race in the country. Non-competitive events included a Four-mile Family Walk, a One-Mile Fun Run and a Diaper Derby which provided fun for the entire family. Spectators were also invited to participate in a variety of activities and entertainment.

Proceeds from Nordstrom Beat the Bridge to Beat Diabetes, including registration fees and pledges, will benefit the Northwest Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Pledges for this year's event will be accepted through June 5 for prize eligibility. Major sponsors of the 2009 event included: Nordstrom, JDRF, Brooks, STAR 101.5, KOMO 4 TV and KOMO 1000 Radio.

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the world's leading nonprofit, nongovernmental funder of diabetes research, was founded in 1970 by the parents of children with type 1 diabetes--a disease that strikes children suddenly, makes them insulin dependent for life, and carries the constant threat of devastating complications. JDRF contributes more money directly to diabetes research than any other non-governmental health agency in the world. JDRF's mission is constant: to find a cure for diabetes and its complications through the support of research. The Northwest chapter serves people in Washington, Montana, and Alaska through advocacy efforts, online support and resources, educational events, research updates, fundraisers, and Northwest diabetes resources. For more information, please visit www.jdrfnorthwest.org, call (800) 925-5533 or e-mail jdrfnorthwest@jdrf.org.

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2009 NORDSTROM BEAT THE BRIDGE 8K RACE WINNERS

MEN

1. Eric Garner Woodinville, WA 24:13
2. Mark Mandi Seattle, WA 24:42
3. Brett Winegar Seattle, WA 24:44
4. Gregory Crowther Seattle, WA 24:52
5. Joe Darda Seattle, WA 24:55

WOMEN

1. Vanessa Hunter Seattle, WA 27:40
2. Lauren Matthews Seattle, WA 28:16
3. Rose Wetzel Seattle, WA 28:53
4. Lyudmila Vasilyeva Redmond, WA 29:22
5. Sarah McFadden Kenmore, WA 29:36

WHEELCHAIR MEN

1. Kaleb Kallappa Vancouver, WA 20:24

WHEELCHAIR WOMEN

1. Amberlynn Weber Greenacres, WA 27:28

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