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MIAMI DOLPHINS FOUNDATION VOLUNTEERS AT 4TH ANNUAL MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE DOG WALK

Miami Lighthouse invites you to Walk, Waggle and Stroll to Raise Awareness for Service Dogs

Miami, Florida. February 9, 2011—Walk, Waggle and Stroll! Members of the Miami Dolphins Special Teams organization will join walkers and their dogs, including guide dogs, other service animals and regular pet companions, on a walk to pledge support for the Miami Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired Sunday, March 6th. This year’s event is hosted by Honorary ‘Dog’nitaries, Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman and NBC Chief Meteorologist John Morales.

“In addition to raising much-needed funds for our programs at Miami Lighthouse, which provide rehabilitation and vocational training to thousands of people every year, our fourth annual Walk, Waggle and Stroll Dog Walk will be a wonderful awareness-raiser for the presence of service animals of all kinds in our community,” said Miami Lighthouse CEO Virginia A. Jacko, who is blind and uses a guide dog, Kieran.

De‘Tails’ for the event are as follows: registration for the Dog Walk begins at 9 a.m. at the Shops at Midtown Miami located at 3401 N. Miami Avenue. Some of the morning’s activities include “Bagels and Bones Breakfast” sponsored by Publix, Dunkin Donuts and Starbucks; contest prizes for cutest, look-alike and most talented dog; and raffle prizes. Free parking is available in the PetSmart garage, and walkers are welcome with or without dogs. On-site registration is $20; the fee is waived for visually impaired walkers.


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The Miami Lighthouse is Florida’s largest and oldest private agency serving the blind and visually impaired. In addition to providing free vision care to thousands of financially disadvantaged children each year, Miami Lighthouse helps more than two thousand blind and visually impaired people and their families learn to live safe and independent lives while coping with vision loss. For more information please visit www.miamilighthouse.org or to schedule a tour call Kristina Pham at 786-382-7514.

The Miami Dolphins Special Teams is a unique volunteer organization created to enlist and mobilize the ongoing services of the community with the Miami Dolphins staff, players and alumni. The mission of the Special Teams is to offer hands-on services to communities and families in need, to partner with existing organizations on worthwhile social, civic and charitable programs, to provide assistance at Miami Dolphins Foundation events, and to support community efforts in times of emergency.

MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide vision rehabilitation
and eye health services
that promote independence,
to educate professionals, and
to conduct research in related fields.

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