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E-Confirmation Cards Now Required as Part of Registration for the Marine Corps Marathon Healthy Kids Fun Run

Registration is still open at www.marinemarathon.com for children ages 6-13

QUANTICO, VA- The Marine Corps Marathon announced today a downloadable E-Confirmation Card will be required as part of the registration process for the Healthy Kids Fun Run. Following successful registration into the one mile fun run, families should download the E-Confirmation Card and present it at runner check-in at the Health & Fitness Expo on October 27 or the Kids Run on October 28. The card contains important participant information including a child's wave assignment and bib number.

Parents can easily access the E-Confirmation Card by clicking on the confirmation link on the MCM website home page. To retrieve the card, simply input the child's confirmation number (received in the post-registration email) and date of birth, and then follow the instructions to print the card.

Children are required to check in and obtain their participant packet on race morning, Saturday, October 28, beginning at 7 a.m. or at the Health and Fitness Expo at the DC Armory on Friday, October 27 as a way to avoid long lines. Kids who check in at the Expo on Friday receive a free MCM bobblehead doll.

"The kids e-confirmation card is the first of its kind in the running industry," said Angela Huff, Business Manager. "Adding this level of detail will make the packet pick-up process quicker and easier for all participants and their families."

Registration for the Healthy Kids Fun Run is still available online at www.marinemarathon.com. Beginning at 8:00 a.m. at a new location, the DC Armory in Washington, DC, children ages 6-13 will join Miles the MCM mascot and uniformed Marines at the start line before running a one-mile double loop around the DC Armory, finishing just outside the MCM Expo. The \$7 entry fee includes all race materials, t-shirt, goodie bag, finisher medal and snacks at the finish line.

The Healthy Kids Fun Run is presented by The Washington Post and sponsored by Sodexo, Family Magazine, ABC7/WJLA, Big Dogs, Lincoln Military Housing and Navy Federal Credit Union.

Voted "Best Marathon for Families" by HerSports Magazine, the Marine Corps Marathon continues a combined tradition of dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism. Since its inception, over 300,000 civilian and military runners from all walks of life have participated, deservingly earning the event its nickname "The People's Marathon." The 31st Marine Corps Marathon to be held on October 29, 2006 in Arlington, VA is presented by USAA, Brooks Sports, Inc., and Cisco Systems.

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