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Triangle, Virginia Resident Recognized as 400,000th Marine Corps Marathon Finisher

Judith Mosely Finishes 34th MCM in 5:39:49 to Place 18,530

QUANTICO, VA (November 23, 2009) - With the results of the 34th Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) formally finalized today, event organizers determined Judith Mosely, 42, of Triangle, Virginia was the 18,530th finisher in the October 25 event earning her recognition as the 400,000th finisher in the event's history.

The mother of three completed her first marathon in 5:39:49 on her wedding anniversary. Mosely's landmark finish will be commemorated with a special plaque from MarthonFoto and a MCM Vermont Teddy Bear.

"In the year when we inducted the very first MCM finisher into the event's Hall of Fame, it is especially exciting to reach the 400,000 mark for finishers," said Rick Nealis, MCM director.

The first MCM on November 7, 1976 boasted 1,175 finishers. The 100,000th finisher reached the Marine Corps War Memorial finish line at the 15th MCM on November 4, 1990. It only took eight years to add another 100,000 finishers to the record books as the MCM welcomed its 200,000th finisher on October 25, 1998. On October 31, 2004, the MCM reached the 300,000th finisher plateau, this time taking only six years to add another 100,000 runners. The MCM sprinted to 400,000 finishers, needing just five years to accumulate 100,000 more finishers.

Vote "Best Marathon for Families," the Marine Corps Marathon continues a combined tradition of dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism. Currently ranked as the fifth largest marathon in the United States and ninth in the world, "The People's Marathon" boasts a course featuring the iconic landmarks of Washington, DC and Arlington, Virginia. The 35th MCM will be held on October 31, 2010. Registration opens online beginning April 7, 2010. No federal or Marine Corps endorsement applied.

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