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Marine Corps Marathon 10K Reaches Capacity

5,000 Runners Registered for MCM10K, part of Marine Corps Marathon weekend

QUANTICO, VA- The Marine Corps Marathon 10K presented by Aetna reached a capacity race field yesterday with a record 5,000 participants. The MCM10K, held as part of Marine Corps Marathon weekend, begins just minutes after the marathon on race morning, October 26.

“Now in its third year, the MCM10K offers runners a fun way to be part of Marine Corps Marathon weekend for a fraction of the distance,” said Rick Nealis, Race Director. “Runners have shown they love this event as this year is not only the largest race field but also the fastest close out.”

The MCM10K course begins in the Pentagon North parking lot in and quickly meets the marathon course to treat runners to a scenic tour of Arlington, VA, including the festivities at Crystal Run in Crystal City, VA, before crossing the legendary Marine Corps Marathon finish line at the Marine Corps War Memorial.

The MCM10K is sponsored by Aetna, Navy Federal, Arlington County and the DC Examiner.

Voted “Best Marathon for Families”, the Marine Corps Marathon continues a combined tradition of dedication, sportsmanship and patriotism. Runners from all walks of life have participated in the world’s largest marathon to not offer prize money, deservingly earning the nickname “The People’s Marathon.” The 33rd Marine Corps Marathon to be held on October 26, 2008 in Arlington, VA is presented by USAA, Brooks Sports, Inc., and CVS/Caremark. Registration opens online at www.marinemarathon.com on April 30 at noon eastern.

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