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MEMORIAL WALK TO COINCIDE WITH INFANT DEATH AWARENESS MONTH

SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY – Angel Names Association (ANA), an area nonprofit association that assists families of stillborn children, will hold its inaugural Memorial Walk from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 8, 2006 at the Saratoga Spa State Park in Saratoga Springs, NY. In 1988, then President Ronald Reagan proclaimed October “National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month.”

Participation in the Memorial Walk is free, and anyone whose life has been touched by the loss of a baby is encouraged to attend. Registration will begin at noon at the Ferndell Pavilion and each family that registers will receive a free t-shirt. Additional shirts as well as ANA’s exclusive, handmade, ceramic “Forever in our hearts” ornament/pins will be available for purchase.

The walk will commence at 1:00 p.m. and take place along a level, paved path that is easily navigable for both strollers and wheelchairs. A nondenominational memorial service remembering babies lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, and infant death will begin at 3:00 p.m. at the park’s reflecting pool.

The Memorial Walk will provide families an opportunity to publicly remember and acknowledge their baby’s life alongside others who have endured similar tragedies. “This walk reflects the understanding that grief is the process of remembering, not forgetting,” said Margaret Mangano, CNM and childbirth educator. Added Michelle Mosca, ANA Cofounder and President, “We grieve our children by remembering them — their beauty, their uniqueness, our unsurpassed love for them and what their absence means to us. It is not

The logo for the Angel Names Association features a blue, flowing ribbon-like graphic at the top. Below it, the words "ANGEL NAMES" are written in a large, black, serif font. Underneath that, the word "Association" is written in a smaller, black, serif font, with wide letter spacing. A second blue, flowing ribbon-like graphic is positioned below the word "Association".

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possible, nor would we want, to forget one who touched our hearts so completely, so deeply.”

The Memorial Walk is sponsored by Angel Names Association and funded in part by donations from A.C. Moore; The Adirondack Trust Company; Bed, Bath & Beyond; BJ's Wholesale Club; Canty Financial Management, Inc; Corinth Merchants Association, Densmore Funeral Home, Grand Union, Home Depot; Meme's Country Florist, the Remarkable Finish Hair Salon, and Staples. For more information or to register please visit ANA online at www.angelnames.org, or contact Michelle Mosca via email at mgmosca@msn.com, or by phone at 518-654-2411.

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