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Taking On Disability Together –
Easter Seals Greater Houston Walk With Me a “Wild” Success at the Houston Zoo!

HOUSTON, TX (May 2, 2017)—
What is Walk With Me? Walk With Me is a 5K or shorter Family Fun Walk presented by Prosperity Bank with additional lead sponsors, The Robert & Janice McNair Foundation, Texas Children's Hospital, John Eagle Honda and the Hess Corporation benefiting Easter Seals Greater Houston. This past Saturday, April 29th, 3,000 turned out in support at the Houston Zoo including our Emcee, Houston Texans’ Cornerback, Kevin Johnson, Walk Ambassadors, clients, staff, and supporters, all there in effort to raise funds for Easter Seals Greater Houston’s programs serving babies, children, and adults with all types of disabilities and their families.

Chaired by Colleen and Coach Bill O’Brien and Elizabeth DeLuca, the event hosted 3,000 walkers and is very close to the goal of $500,000. Colleen O’Brien sits on the Board of Easter Seals and her son, Jack, is one of this year’s walk ambassadors as well as a student at Easter Seals Caroline School. The O’Brien family knows first-hand, how important the services offered by Easter Seals are to families in the greater Houston area. Their team, “Cracker Jack” was fifty strong and raised close to $30,000 on their own. Elizabeth DeLuca, also a Board Member and mother of Caroline (our school’s namesake) understands the importance as well. #TeamCaroline walked strong in honor of Caroline, who passed last year in special purple t-shirts in her memory.

Community support of Walk With Me is a gift to many families in the greater Houston area – to which the our Chairmen can personally attest. Easter Seals provides life-changing services to people of all ages with all types of disabilities. Thanks to the care and involvement of our teachers at The Caroline School, Jack O’Brien has been able to grow, maximize his skills and, very importantly, have friends. And for Caroline, it was truly one of her happy places where she too thrived. People can continue to donate to the event via the website for the next month in order to help us reach our goal!

About Walk With Me
Easter Seals Walk With Me is a national fundraising event that spreads hope and raises funds to support families living with disabilities. Individual walkers and teams join hundreds of other passionate people in their communities for a day full of entertainment, fun and, of course, walk! Last year, over 25,000 people from across the country joined their local Walk With Me events and, together, raised $4 million. For more information, please visit www.walkwithmehouston.org.
About Easter Seals Greater Houston

Founded in 1947, Easter Seals Greater Houston has been offering help and hope to children and adults living with disabilities, and to the families who love them. This non-profit organization provides a variety of services to individuals of all ages with all types of disabilities throughout five counties in the greater Houston area. In addition, Easter Seals Greater Houston is the only agency in Houston that provides comprehensive services to individuals living with disabilities. Through therapy, training, education and support services, Easter Seals creates life-changing solutions so that people with disabilities and veterans can live, learn, work and play. For more information, please visit www.eastersealshouston.org.

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