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**NATIONAL FOUNDER OF FETAL HOPE FOUNDATION TO SERVE AS EMCEE FOR
TTTS RACE FOR HOPE NATIONAL RACE SERIES**

September 16, 2008 - Denver —This year's TTTs Race for Hope National Race Series will welcome Fetal Hope Foundation CEO and Founder, Lonnie Somers, as Emcee of the events in both Charlotte, North Carolina and Kirkland, Washington. The Charlotte TTTs Race for Hope will take place on Saturday, September 20th, and the Kirkland TTTs Race for Hope will take place on Sunday, September 28th.

Somers and his wife Michelle, recall the day they learned they were expecting twin girls at a routine ultrasound that quickly turned from surprise and joy, to one of confusion and helplessness. The Somers' learned their daughters were being affected by Twin-to-Twin Transfusion Syndrome, or TTTs, a disease of the placenta that causes one twin to receive all the nutrition and blood, and the other none or very little at all. Every one out of seven sets of identical twins is affected by TTTs, and the mortality rate is nearly 100% without diagnosis or treatment. The Somers' were given few options, but found hope in a progressive in utero surgery performed by Dr. Quintero in Tampa, Florida. Today, the Somers have two survivors for which to be grateful, and spend their lives focused on helping others who are similarly affected.

"The TTTs Race for Hope directly impacts people by providing awareness and hope to those that will become diagnosed with a Fetal Syndrome or Distress in the future. It also provides those that have gone through this difficult journey a place to be with others, share with others and do something to help others affected or to be affected by these situations," said Somers. "Overall, the event is a family event and something for everyone to come for a wonderful experience and leave with a wonderful memory".

The TTTs Race for Hope began in 2003 in Denver, Colorado with over 400-plus participants and spectators. The event has since become a National Race Series with events currently in Los Angeles, Charlotte, and Kirkland.

Somers said, "My original vision was to have an event for the family while spreading awareness in the Denver area. I never thought it would be what it is today, a successful, inspiring and healing event reaching millions of people with awareness and hope."

The Series will remain in the existing cities for 2009 and will expand to also include Houston and Boston.

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“The power of all these people directly and indirectly coming together to support this important cause that affects 800,000 pregnancies a year gives those diagnosed the support that they are not alone, that there are others fighting for and with them, and that there is always hope,” said Somers.

The TTTS Race for Hope is Fetal Hope’s largest fundraising and awareness campaign, increasing awareness of and raising funds for research and support of fetal syndromes such as TTTS. Since its inception in 2003, Fetal Hope has reached millions of households. Nationally, the event draws thousands of participants and spectators, and combines the energy of a 5k main event with the focus on celebrating family with a free Kids Fun Run, Sponsor Expo and NOMOTC Family Festival. For more information, please contact Lonnie Somers at (877) 789-HOPE.

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