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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CHARLOTTE MOTHERS OF MULTIPLES TO HOST FREE KIDS FUN RUN AT  
3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL TTTS RACE FOR HOPE**

**Charlotte, NC** — On Saturday, September 20, 2008, the Charlotte Mothers of Multiples (CMOMs) will sponsor the Kids Fun Run at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual TTTS Race for Hope at Charlotte's Freedom Park. CMOMs will be hosting the free Kids Fun Run which will begin prior to the 5k event at approximately 7:45am. CMOMs is a support network for nearly 600 mothers of twins, triplets and quads throughout the Charlotte and surrounding communities.

CMOMs supports the Fetal Hope Foundation with its annual TTTS Race for Hope because it is an issue that directly affects multiples, including many among its membership. This year, CMOMs is featuring two Ambassador Families, the Bogerts and the Fuchs, who have been directly affected by TTTS.

"So many multiple birth children are affected by fetal distress and syndromes, including twin-to-twin transfusion syndrome, amniotic band syndrome, intrauterine growth restriction, and many others. Charlotte Mothers of Multiples is proud to assist the Fetal Hope Foundation in its efforts to provide support, information and hope to those families who have experienced, or who will experience, fetal distress syndromes," said Traci Zeller, CMOM President.

Along with offering a social and support outlet for parents of multiples, the CMOM organization works with area hospitals and doctors to promote awareness of multiple birth issues and provide support for their patients. They are an affiliate of the National Organization of Mothers of Twins Club, Inc. (NOMOTC).

Traci said, "by sponsoring the Kids Fun Run, Charlotte Mothers of Multiples honors all children who have been affected by fetal distress and syndromes, both those who are still with us and those the loss of whom we still grieve."

The TTTS Race for Hope event will welcome approximately 600 runners, walkers and spectators affected by TTTS and other fetal syndromes, and will be held at Charlotte's Freedom Park in conjunction with this year's Festival in the Park. Participants will enjoy the race, along with one of the largest post-race expos and family friendly festivals hosted by Moe's Southwest Grill and the National Organization of Mothers of Twins Clubs. For more information, please contact Talitha McGuinness at (980) 721-5799.

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