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TRACI ZELLER DESIGNS SPONSORING RACE FOR FETAL HOPE: SUPPORTING IN CELEBRATION OF SON

Charlotte, NC, August 31, 2009 – Local interior Design firm, Traci Zeller Designs will serve as the Presenting Sponsor for the upcoming Race for Fetal Hope on Saturday, September 19th. Owner, Traci Zeller and husband Mike have fraternal twins, one of which is a survivor of Intrauterine Growth Restriction (IUGR), one of the many fetal syndromes the Fetal Hope Foundation supports.

“I am passionate about the Fetal Hope Foundation because one of my sons, Henry, suffered from Intrauterine Growth Restriction. It’s a very scary experience when you don’t know what you are facing, and my family was one of the lucky ones. Henry’s case was not an extreme one, and thanks to the excellent medical care that I received, he spent only a few short days in the NICU,” said Traci.

The Zellers plan to have family and close friends in attendance to participate in the 5k event, and the twins will be among many other children participating in the Charlotte Mothers of Multiples’ Kids Fun Run.

Traci said, “the Race for Fetal Hope has become a family affair for us. I look forward to sharing the experience with clients and industry partners who may not have been familiar with the Foundation prior to my sponsorship of the race.”

The Charlotte Race for Fetal Hope is part of a National Race Series and combines the energy of a 5k with a Sponsor Expo and Family Festival. The Series serves as one of the largest fundraising and awareness campaigns for the Fetal Hope Foundation, a national non-profit that serves as a liaison between families affected by fetal syndromes and the medical teams that provide their care.

“Today, Henry and his twin brother Charlie are healthy, happy three year-olds. Not every family is so fortunate. Traci Zeller Designs is sponsoring this race in an effort to ‘pay it forward.’ Every family should receive medical care of the caliber that Henry and I did,” said Traci. “I want parents to have the knowledge that they need and the access to the medical care that they deserve so that they can have hope - not despair - when facing the diagnosis of a fetal syndrome.”

For more information on the Charlotte Race for Fetal Hope, please contact Charlotte Event Director, Talitha McGuinness at 980-721-5799, talitha@fetalhope.org, or visit www.raceforfetalhope.org.

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