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MISS USA ®, MISS CALIFORNIA USA ®, MISS CALIFORNIA TEEN USA ® and MISS UNIVERSE ® Take Part in Fourth of July *Surf City Run 5k* In Huntington Beach

Titleholders displayed patriotism by supporting over 4,500 runners in Huntington Beach's popular Fourth of July race

Huntington Beach, Cali. (July 4, 2009) - This morning the Huntington Beach Fourth of July *Surf City Run 5K* had special guests to help encourage the 4,500 plus registered athletes that took part in the race. MISS USA Kristen Dalton, MISS CALIFORNIA USA Tami Farrell, MISS CALIFORNIA TEEN USA Chelsea Gilligan and 2008 MISS UNIVERSE Dayana Mendoza said a few words to help encourage the runners as well as awarded medals to each child as they crossed the finish line. Adults, teens, and kids took part in this race which ran along the coast of Huntington Beach and through Main Street.

"I feel so honored to be apart of such a great race in this community, and on a day like today I felt the support of a nation behind me. I am so thankful to be able to represent such an amazing country," said MISS USA Kristen Dalton. "These runners today, young and old are the models of fun patriotic Americans."

This event was one of the first appearances this month for MISS CALIFORNIA USA Tami Farrell since she had assumed the title and responsibilities of replacing former MISS CALIFORNIA USA, Carrie Prejean.

"It is amazing to be able to celebrate my country's freedom with California residents, the runners showed an immense amount of patriotism, which was very touching," said MISS CALIFORNIA USA Tami Farrell.

"The Surf City Run is continuously successful. It is a great way to start the day of celebration and patriotism," said the Race Director, Mike Bone of Spectrum Sports Management LLC. "This year the crowd seemed to really enjoy these ladies, they stand for a good cause and hopefully we can have them out next year."

The Surf City Run 5k kicked-off Huntington Beach's Fourth of July celebration (following the race was the 105th Annual Huntington Beach Parade). This race consisted of four different runs; Mother's Market Huntington Beach Resident's 5k Run/Walk, Open 5k, 5k Stroller Run, and the Thomas Kemper Soda Kids 1 Mile & ½ Mile Run. This year there was near 4,000 participants registered. The Surf City Run benefited the Huntington Beach Jr. Lifeguard program, helping them to raise money for their program, special trips and outreach to the community.

For more information about the race visit, www.surfcityrun.com

*Photos are available upon request.

About

Dayana Mendoza, MISS UNIVERSE® 2009- The 22 year-old former Miss Venezuela was born in Caracas and speaks three languages- Spanish, English and Italian. Discovered at the age of 13 at a local bus stop, since then has modeled for Max Mara and Costume Nacional. Dayana traveled to Managua, Nicaragua to serve as a spokesperson for Population Services International's (PSI) "Not all Men are Created Equal" campaign.

Kristen Dalton, MISS USA® 2009- The 22-year-old won her title on April 19th, 2009, in Las Vegas, NV, at the Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino Theatre for the Performing Arts. Dalton is originally from Wilmington, NC, her mother, Jennie, was Miss North Carolina USA 1982, and sister, Julia, was the penultimate runner-up in the 2008 Miss Teen USA competition. Dalton is majoring in Psychology, with a minor in Spanish at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC.

Tami Farrell, MISS CALIFORNIA USA® 2009- Tami in November 2002 won the title of MISS OREGON TEEN USA 2003 and ten months later was crowned MISS TEEN USA 2003. She assumed the role and responsibilities of MISS CALIFORNIA in June 2009 after Carrie Prejean was fired. Farrell was born in Medford and raised on a farm in Phoenix, Oregon. Throughout her year-long reign she raised 21 million dollars for charities- a new Miss Teen record. She also became the national teen spokesperson for M.A.D.D. (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) and an honorary board member and national spokesperson for Sparrow Clubs. Tami just recently became the first ever youth spokesperson for the American Heart Association.

Chelsea Gilligan, MISS CALIFORNIA TEEN USA® 2009- Chelsea is a resident of Beaumont and daughter of Roger & Lynn Neal of Neal Public Relations. She is a senior at Packinghouse Christian Academy in Redlands and is ASB President. Chelsea travels with her family raising

money for those with Multiple Sclerosis. She will represent the entire state of California as she competes in the MISS TEEN USA® PAGEANT in August.

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