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S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Walk with the Dragon 2007

(July 15, Vancouver, BC) – Today S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Walk with the Dragon 2007, hosted by S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation, was successfully held at Lumbermen's Arch in Stanley Park. In excess of \$506,800 was raised from the event with proceeds to directly benefit S.U.C.C.E.S.S. services and programs for youth, women, seniors and families.

Since 1986, the annual S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Walk with the Dragon has evolved into one of the largest community based fundraising event in the Lower Mainland to promote health, multiculturalism and community participating.

Over 13,000 participants including close to 500 teams, from private corporations, multicultural communities, groups, families and seniors, joined together to celebrate the 22nd annual fundraising walk and carnival with live entertainment, games and food.

The event also attended by over 70 politicians from federal, provincial and municipal governments, including the Hon. Jason Kenney, Secretary of State(Multiculturalism and Canadian Identity), the Hon. Gordon Campbell, Premier of British Columbia, the Hon. Carole Taylor, Minister of Finance of British Columbia, the Hon. Wally Oppal, Attorney General and Minister responsible for multiculturalism, the Hon. Colin Hansen, Minister of Economic Development and Minister responsible for the Asia-Pacific Initiative and the Olympics, His Worship Sam Sullivan, Mayor of Vancouver, Her Maxine Wilson, Mayor of Coquitlam, Her Worship Dianne Watts, Mayor of Surrey..

One of the new attractions and highlights of the event is the Dragon Idol Final Competition. Dixon Wong was awarded the 2007 Dragon Idol Champion and will be the Official Ambassador for S.U.C.C.E.S.S Walk with the Dragon 2008.

About S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation, incorporated in December 2001, is a charitable foundation responsible for raising funds for S.U.C.C.E.S.S. and its affiliated organizations to support their mandates for the betterment of the community.

About S.U.C.C.E.S.S.

Founded in 1973 and incorporated in 1974 as a non-profit charitable organization, **S.U.C.C.E.S.S.** is one of the largest social service agencies in British Columbia serving the new Canadians communities. Its mandate is to promote the well being of new and established Canadians to create an integrated society in the spirit of multiculturalism.

For more details, please visit or www.successfoundation.ca

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