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REGISTRATION OPENS FOR THE 30th ANNIVERSARY KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE 2022 Race Takes Place on May 14th

COLUMBUS – Registration has opened for the 30th anniversary of the Susan G. Komen Columbus Race for the Cure[®]. The annual breast cancer awareness and support race event, hosted virtually due to COVID restrictions for the past two years, returns in-person to downtown Columbus on May 14, 2022. There will be a virtual option, as well.

"We are really looking forward to bringing back the Race for the Cure in-person, especially as this year is a special milestone for our local event hitting 30 years," said Alyssa Petrella with Susan G. Komen. "We have all missed the community that happens in downtown Columbus every year to run, walk and to help support our fight to end this devastating disease."

Additionally, the 30th anniversary Komen Columbus Race for the Cure will take place on an all-new course that will be based in the North Bank Park area. Following are turn-by-turn directions:

- Start at Long Street and head east toward downtown,
- Turn south onto Rich Street and
- Turn north on High all the way to Nationwide Blvd.,
- West on Nationwide Blvd. to the finish line on Spring near the North Bank Park Pavilion. Note: the A.D. Farrow Co. Thunder Tunnel will be on Spring Street at the home stretch of the race with their wall of sound to accelerate the runners for the final part of the race.

The Family Fun walk will follow a similar, though shorter, route.

In the state of Ohio, 10,610 women are expected to be diagnosed with breast cancer and 1,700 will die – in 2022 alone. With advances in science and treatment, coupled with early detection, national breast cancer mortality rates are beginning to decline. However, Ohio ranks 7th in the nation in breast cancer mortality rates.

In addition to the event, The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure has developed an app that will enable users to post fundraising messages on social media or send them directly to the contacts saved on your phone; earn badges for watching inspirational videos and taking educational quizzes; and participate in activity challenges and log steps to earn a Virtual Finisher Medal. The app is available for both IPhones and Androids.

Online registration is available at komen.org/columbusrace for individuals and teams. Additionally, participants are encouraged to support Komen's mission by raising money over and above their registration fees.

"We are anticipating an incredible year as we are marking our 30th anniversary and hopefully emerging from the pandemic," said Petrella. "Together we can make a significant impact towards securing the resources that breast cancer patients need to help them in their journey, and for our ultimate goal of ending breast cancer forever."

For further information about the Race, and to register, visit komen.org/columbusrace.



About Susan G. Komen®

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