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Pro-lifers Prepare for the 10th Anniversary of the Walk for Life West Coast

Event set for January 25, 2014 in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, October 1, 2013 – Pro-lifers on the west coast and around the country have something great to celebrate: the upcoming 10th anniversary of a grassroots movement in San Francisco which has changed hearts and saved lives, the **Walk for Life West Coast**.

In 2005, 7,000 pro-lifers, opposed by the Mayor and Board of Supervisors of the city of San Francisco, faced down volatile protesters and took to the city's street in a peaceful march for the littlest among us. Thus the **Walk for Life West Coast** was born. In each succeeding year the Walk has grown, reaching record breaking numbers last year as 50,000 men, women, and children, joined by the Papal Nuncio, carried the pro-life message from the Civic Center, down Market Street to the Bay. Since it's founding in 2005, the **Walk for Life West Coast**, now one of the largest annual events in San Francisco, has become a regular feature of the City's life, and is the second largest pro-life event in the United States.

As the 10th anniversary approaches, West Coast pro-lifers are energized and making plans for the **10th Annual Walk for Life West Coast** on January 25, 2014. The 2014 Walk promises a bigger, more dynamic, and grassroots event that will make manifest an increasingly obvious truth: America is becoming more pro-life.

The Walk for Life West Coast is gearing up for some vibrant speakers this year, including:

- **Shari Rigby**, actress in the film *October Baby*, who will share her powerful testimony of post-abortion healing
- **Grace Dulaney**, founder of the Agnus Dei Foundation, who will share her personal experience with adoption and the work she is doing to help women who choose adoption
 - **Monica Snyder**, a representative of Secular Pro-Life, a group that seeks to unite all pro-lifers regardless of religious beliefs or lack thereof
- Rev. Clenard Childress, founder and director of www.BlackGenocide.org, a website designed to reach the African-American Community with the truth about abortion

Additional speakers will be announced as they are confirmed.

The *Silent No More* Post-Abortion Awareness Campaign, an important part of the Walk since its founding, will once again offer a program of testimony from abortion survivors and post-abortion healing prior to the rally. At this rally and through the Walk itself, participants are eager to respond to the call of

Pope Francis, "We need to proclaim the Gospel on every street corner preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing, even with our preaching, every kind of disease and wound." Founded in 2005 by a group of San Francisco Bay Area residents, the **Walk for Life West Coast's** mission is to change the perceptions of a society that thinks abortion is an answer. Walk participants are expected from throughout the Bay Area and across the United States and Canada.

More details and the most up-to-date information about the walk is available at: www.walkforlifewc.com

To set up an interview with any of the **Walk for Life West Coast's** dynamic speakers or event organizers, please contact:

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