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**JAG PHYSICAL THERAPY SPONSORS SUCCESSFUL
VALERIE FUND WALK-A-THON AND 5K RUN**

VERONA, NJ - On June 13, 2009, The Valerie Fund completed the JAG Physical Therapy/WCBS-TV Walk-a-Thon and 5K Run at Verona Park in Verona, New Jersey. For the third consecutive year, Staten Island native John Gallucci, Jr.'s company JAG Physical Therapy acted as a presenting sponsor for the event that continues to grow each summer.

"I would like to thank all of the runners and walkers that came out this weekend to support The Valerie Fund. I am thrilled that the community came together, despite the bad weather, to make this our most successful walk and run to date," said Gallucci.

JAG Physical Therapy's walk team did an excellent job in raising money for The Valerie Fund, which is a health care service network that provides care for children with cancer and blood disorders. Gallucci and his team raised about \$30,000 out of the near \$200,000 that was raised at the event. The event has grown from 300 to 2,100 participants in the last three years.

It has been the mission for The Valerie Fund since 1976 to provide care for these children, and the organization was exceptionally pleased with the day's events and results. Thanks to the thousands of caring contributors and volunteers, there are seven Valerie Fund Children's Centers for Cancer and Blood Disorders located in major hospitals in the tri-state area today, providing caring and comprehensive health care to more than 5,000 children and their families each year. The Valerie Fund Children's Centers comprise the largest network of healthcare facilities for children with cancer and blood disorders in New Jersey, and one of the largest in the nation. They host over 35,000 patient visits each year.

Gallucci is the President and Founder of JAG Physical Therapy and one of the foremost authorities on professional and amateur athletic rehabilitation. JAG Physical Therapy is a comprehensive orthopedic and sports physical therapy center located in West Orange and Warren, New Jersey. In addition to his role as president of JAG PT, Gallucci is the Medical Coordinator for Major League Soccer and has had numerous affiliations with youth and professional sports over the past two decades.

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