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Buddy Turns 10

(NAPSA)—Since the launch of the Buddy Walk by the National Down Syndrome Society in 1995, more than one million people have participated in local walks across the country, joining friends, family members and many others.



John C. McGinley and friends at the Buddy Walk.

John C. McGinley, who plays Dr. Perry Cox in the hit NBC show “Scrubs,” is the 2005 National Buddy Walk Spokesman. Mr. McGinley is the proud father of 8-year-old Max, who has the condition.

“Max has taught me that people with Down syndrome are more like the rest of us than they are different,” said Mr. McGinley. “They have feelings, talents and dreams just like everyone. And they deserve to be accepted and appreciated for who they are and what they contribute to our communities.”

You can show your support for the acceptance, inclusion and empowerment of children and adults with Down syndrome by attending a Buddy Walk in your community. To find a walk near you, visit www.BuddyWalk.org or call 800-221-4602.