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THE TIM HORTONS OTTAWA DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL WELCOMES SCOTIABANK FOR A TEAM BUILDING EVENT

OTTAWA, June X, 2010 – Tim Hortons Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival (THODBF), the largest dragon boat festival in North America, welcomes the festival's presenting sponsor, Scotiabank for a corporate team building event on site, just prior the festival's official launch.

What: Scotiabank team building event for 40 - 60 Scotiabank employees. Two dragon boats will take to the water and participants will get an introduction to dragon boating. Following a mini-race, participants will enjoy a luncheon in the Jubilee Fine Jewelers tent on Mooney's Bay beach.

Who: Members of Scotiabank's executive team and Ottawa-area managers will join District Vice President for Ottawa and West Quebec, Dennis Jackson on the water. THODBF Executive Director, John Brooman will also be on site.

When: Thursday, June 17 – Scotiabank's team will be on the water from 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM; lunch will be held at the Jubilee Fine Jewelers VIP tent from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM.

Where: Mooney's Bay Beach

About the Tim Hortons Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival

The Tim Hortons Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival is the largest dragon boat festival in North America. It features both competitive and recreational racing, cultural and musical entertainment, a variety of vendors/exhibitors, and family oriented activities. The festival began in 1993 with assistance from the Hong Kong Canada Business Association and has grown to a 3-day sell-out with 190 teams and 5000 paddlers, and over 65 000 spectators. Each year the Dragon Boat Foundation supports local Ottawa charities. Recipient charities for 2010 include Sens Foundation / Project S.T.E.P., CHEO Foundation, Bruyère Foundation, ArtsSmarts, Ottawa Humane Society, University of Ottawa Institute of Mental Health Research, and Debra Dynes Family House. For information visit www.dragonboat.net.

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