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Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation Urges Community to Join Fight Against Autism

“Walk Now For Autism Speaks” Sunday at Raley Field

Brooks, CA (Oct. 3, 2013) - Team Autism Tewe is proud to be among the local groups leading the “Walk Now for Autism Speaks” on Sunday October 6th in West Sacramento. The West Sacramento event is part of a nationwide effort by Autism Speaks to raise needed funds for autism research. It is also designed to raise awareness about the growing prevalence of autism. Every 11 minutes, another family learns their child has an autism spectrum disorder.

Team Autism Tewe is made up of tribal members of the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and is a longtime supporter of Autism Speaks. The team takes part annually in local efforts to inform more and more individuals about the challenges of autism and the need for research.

Team Autism Tewe and the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation encourage their neighbors to learn more and get involved in the fight against autism. This Sunday’s “Walk Now for Autism Speaks” is a great place to start. Events begin at 9 AM at Raley Field. To learn more visit www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1062196.

“Like so many Americans, our Yocha Dehe family has experienced the challenges of autism,” said Anthony Roberts, Yocha Dehe Treasurer and Tribal Council Member. “By coming together as a community and a nation we can drive awareness of autism spectrum disorders and generate the resources and commitment needed for critical research into the causes of autism, preventive measures and improved treatments.”

About Autism Speaks: Autism Speaks is dedicated to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders, to funding research into the causes, prevention and treatments for autism, and to advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families. To learn more about Autism Speaks, please visit www.autismspeaks.org.

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Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation is an independent, self-governed nation that supports our people and the Capay Valley, CA community by strengthening our culture, stewarding our land and creating economic independence for future generations.

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