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## JDRF Announces FREE Patty Loveless Concert

**Raleigh, NC October 1, 2009** - The Triangle/Eastern NC Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) announced today that Patty Loveless will be appearing in concert during the 2009 Triangle Walk to Cure Diabetes in Raleigh at the Time Warner Cable Music Pavilion at Walnut Creek. Kelly Fleming, JDRF Development Manager said, "We're so excited to launch a new JDRF venue at Walnut Creek with ample parking, plenty of space and a concert from the renowned artist, Patty Loveless. Admission to the 1:00 PM concert is FREE for those attendees who register for the walk online." The 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Triangle Walk is scheduled for Saturday, November 7, 2009 and includes the concert, food, games, and other entertainment. The Walk provides something for everyone regardless of age or fitness.

Since her emergence on the country music scene in 1987 with her self-titled debut album, Patty Loveless has become one of the most popular female singers of the Neotraditional Country movement and has also recorded albums in the Country Pop and Bluegrass genres. To date, Loveless has placed more than forty singles on the *Billboard* Hot Country Songs charts, including five #1 hits. She has recorded fourteen studio albums, four of which have been certified platinum and two have been certified gold. She became the 65<sup>th</sup> member of the Grand Ole Opry in 1988 and has collected numerous awards including Top Female Vocalist from the Academy of Country Music, Favorite New Country Artist from the American Music Awards and Album of the Year and Female Vocalist of the Year from the Country Music Association.

Join the JDRF Freedom Movement and its sponsors by registering today for the Triangle Walk to Cure Diabetes. With your participation, JDRF can fund the critical research needed to provide freedom from type 1 diabetes and its complications. Register by visiting [www.walk.jdrf.org](http://www.walk.jdrf.org). The Patty Loveless concert is FREE to all those who register for the walk online.

**About Type 1 Diabetes:** Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune disease that affects children, adolescents, and adults, in which the immune system attacks the cells in the pancreas that produce insulin, a hormone that enables people to convert food into energy. There is no cure for type 1 diabetes. To stay alive, people with type 1 diabetes must take multiple insulin injections daily or continually infuse insulin through a pump. While insulin allows a person to stay alive, it does not cure diabetes nor does it prevent its eventual and devastating effects, which may include: kidney failure, blindness, nerve damage, amputations, heart attack, stroke, and pregnancy complications.

**About JDRF:** JDRF was founded in 1970 by the parents of children with type 1 diabetes – a disease that strikes children, adolescents, and adults suddenly, makes them insulin dependent for life, and carries the constant threat of devastating complications. Since inception, JDRF has provided more than \$1.16 billion to diabetes research worldwide. More than 85 percent of JDRF's expenditures directly support research and research-related education. JDRF's mission is constant: to find a cure for diabetes and its complications through the support of research. For more information, please visit [www.jdrf.org/triangle](http://www.jdrf.org/triangle).

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