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**DEKALB BOARD OF HEALTH IS
'MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER'**

Citizens are invited to join the fundraising walk on October 24

DECATUR – Members of the DeKalb County Board of Health's Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening program invite citizens to join them as they raise awareness for breast cancer treatment and prevention during the **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer** walk, Saturday, October 24 at Atlantic Station. Onsite registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and the walk kicks off at 9:00 a.m. near the intersection of Fowler street and 20th street in Atlanta. Online registration is also available.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer gives walkers the opportunity to honor breast cancer survivors, remember those who have lost their fight against the illness, and raise funds and awareness to help end the disease.

The money raised from the event goes to support the American Cancer Society's mission to save lives by educating and empowering individuals to live healthy lives and reduce their risk for breast cancer; providing resources and support to women who are fighting breast cancer; investing in breast cancer research; and fighting for laws that help women battle cancer.

Last year, nearly 600,000 walkers across the country joined the event. This year, more than 13,000 individuals are expected to join the walk in Atlanta.

Individuals interested in joining the DeKalb County Board of Health team can register online at www.stridesatlanta.org.

For more information on the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk, contact Janice Wright, RN BSN, Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Coordinator, Adult Health Supervisor at 404-294-3793 or jjwright@dhr.state.ga.us.

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