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**15th Annual Miriam Foundation
Champagne and Strawberries Golf Tournament
in support of Miriam Home & Services Children's Department**

Montreal, QC – July 12, 2005...The Miriam Foundation's 15th Annual Champagne and Strawberries Golf Tournament, held at the Green Valley Golf & Country Club on Monday, June 20, 2005 once again raised money for young children with global developmental delays.

The tournament benefits various children's programs at Miriam Home and Services, such as the Maurice & Tillie Wolfe Trampoline Therapeutic Program, an initiative of Miriam Home and Services and the Miriam Foundation, in collaboration with YM-YWHA/Ben Weider Jewish Community Centre and Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch. Other programs include TEACCH (Treatment & education of Autistic & Related Communication Handicapped Children) and ABA (Applied Behavioural Analysis Therapy). Money raised at the tournament enables us to provide these necessary services in order to help these children reach their full potential.

Chair Shawn Leib reported that this year's Vegas style tournament was the most successful yet raising over \$115,000. The tournament's main corporate sponsor was Gusdorf Canada. More than 150 golfers participated in the tee-off at 8:45 a.m. with a shotgun start. The golfers enjoyed a perfect sunny day on the course followed by a buffet lunch at which Orla Johannes of CJAD, our master of ceremonies, auctioned off foursomes at various golf clubs as well as paintings and a 42' Plasma TV.

Established in 1970, the Miriam Foundation raises much-needed funds for Miriam Home and Services. Often cited as a model agency, Miriam Home and Services offers innovative and effective initiatives that foster increased socialization and community integration for children, adults and seniors living with intellectual disabilities. Currently, more than 600 people with varying levels of developmental delays receive vocational, rehabilitative and residential services from Miriam Home and Services. For more detailed information, please visit us online at www.miriamfoundation.ca.

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