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**ON THE CATWALK AT COCOWALK
SHOWCASES STYLE AND MODEL BEHAVIOR**

Fashion show benefits the Kristi House

COCONUT GROVE, Fla. – May 9, 2008 – On Saturday, May 3 CocoWalk presented a first of its kind fashion show· On the Catwalk at CocoWalk. Over 100 guests attended the event, which benefited the Kristi House, Miami-Dade's Children's Advocacy Center helping child victims of sexual abuse and their families.

During the show, models wore spring and summer fashion lines from some of CocoWalk's most popular boutiques including Azul, Kouture One and Palm Produce, and Edward Beiner Eye Wear. Tiano Secret Color Salon & Spa, which provided the models' hair and make-up, and Bice Bistro also joined the sponsor lineup. The event also featured a raffle by The Kristi House. Prizes ranged from a dinner for two at the Cheesecake Factory to a facial treatment by The Center for Beautiful Skin.

Following the event, fashion show attendees were invited to an after party at Nikki Coconut Grove where guests included Katherine Fernandez Rundle, state attorney for Miami Dade County.

"We were delighted to host a first-of-its-kind fashion show and to have been able to support the Kristi House," says Cynthia Bettner, marketing director for CocoWalk. "We look forward to bringing our shoppers and visitors more events like this in the future."

For more information on this and other CocoWalk events, please visit www.cocowalk.net or call (305) 444-0777.

For more information on the Kristi House, visit www.kristihouse.org.

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About CocoWalk

Coconut Grove's most exciting destination for shopping, dining and entertainment!

Located at 3015 Grand Avenue, the unique grounds and buildings of CocoWalk were carefully designed to blend seamlessly into the surroundings of Coconut Grove, a bayside village known for being eclectic, sometimes eccentric and always exciting. CocoWalk's rows of shops and boutiques are a window-shoppers paradise, while our AMC movie theatre gallery provides cultured entertainment for any taste. Restaurants and sidewalk cafes offer a kaleidoscope of flavors from every corner of the globe. Each night our variety of bars and nightclubs fill the center with sparkling lights, music and laughter.

Dare to shop and dine outside the box at CocoWalk, where there is something for everyone and something different every day!

About Kristi House, Inc.

One in four girls and one in six boys will be sexually abused by the time they reach the age of 18. In seconds, their childhoods are shattered, their innocence stolen forever. Worse still, the effects haunt them for years, increasing the likelihood of drug and alcohol dependency, eating disorders, teen pregnancy, delinquency, violent crime and debilitating fear. An estimated 39 million survivors of child sexual abuse exist in America today, and yet it is a crime that goes largely undetected.

As the sole Children's Advocacy Center for all of Miami-Dade County, population 2.4 million, Kristi House's mission is to provide a healing environment for child victims of sexual abuse and their families, regardless of income, through prevention, treatment and coordination of services with our community partners. Prior to Kristi House's founding, child advocates discovered that many children who were victims of sexual abuse were slipping through the cracks of the social service system and were not receiving the services needed to recover from the trauma of their abuse. Children were undergoing multiple interviews in numerous locations, which only served to compound their trauma, being forced to relive it with every retelling. The fractured system of care, rather than helping victims, was deterring families from seeking help.

The Kristi House Children's Advocacy Center, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation, provides a full continuum of services and care for victims and their families free of charge. This includes case coordination and case management, therapy, parents groups, emergency assistance, transportation, advocacy, comprehensive assessment, prevention education and outreach. Kristi House Multidisciplinary Team partners at the CAC include the State Attorney's Office, Department of Children and Families, University of Miami Child Protection Team, Jackson Hospital Rape Treatment Center, law enforcement, and Guardian ad Litem.