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Mercury Coach Bridget Pettis to co-chair AIDS Walk Phoenix

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Phoenix Mercury Coach **Bridget Pettis** has been named co-chairwoman of the AIDS Walk Phoenix and 5K Run.

Proceeds from the annual walk and run will benefit 19 metro Phoenix organizations that offer HIV support and services, including The Bill Holt Clinic at Phoenix Children's Hospital, the HIV/AIDS Law Project, HIV Care Directions and the Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS.

Pettis is an original member of the Phoenix Mercury WNBA team, and played in 154 consecutive games from 1997-2001, setting a club record. Pettis is joined by co-chairman, **Jonathan Robles**, an executive at Estrella Mountain Community College and board chairman of the nonprofit health organization, Concilio Latino de Salud, Inc.

The walk and run will be held Oct. 2, and organizers are seeking volunteers to help with the event, as well as groups interested in participating as a team.

In addition to the run and walk, pets and their owners can participate in the Paws for the Cause, a walk specifically aimed at two- and four-legged participants.

Now in its fourth year, last year's Walk raised \$353,272.

For more information: www.aidswalkphoenix.org

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