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LAURENTIAN BANK JOINS IN THE MEMORY WALK FOR THE SAGAMIE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

Montreal, April 10, 2008 – Laurentian Bank is pleased to be once again partnering with the Sagamie Alzheimer's Association in the Memory Walk. This event aims to raise funds to provide services to the families and caregivers, and to provide services directly to the people with Alzheimer's Disease. Held simultaneously in all regions of Quebec, the Memory Walk in the Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean region will take place on May 25, 2008.

The Bank is highly active in its various communities, and has supported the Sagamie Alzheimer's Association for the past four years. "The Memory Walk is an event that brings together people from the general public and the business world," pointed out Éric Grenon, Assistant Vice-President, Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean, at the Laurentian Bank and honorary president of the event. We are happy to join the volunteers and employees of the Sagamie Alzheimer's Association: they deserve our support given their exceptional dedication to people with this disease.

The ravages of Alzheimer's Disease affects both the individual and those around him. It is an insidious disease, which develops at a frightening pace, and has been the focus of major international research programs. Laurentian Bank invites individuals and business people to participate in this fundraising activity to make the Memory March a memorable success in the Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean region.

About Laurentian Bank

Laurentian Bank of Canada is a banking institution operating across Canada and offering its clients diversified financial services. Distinguishing itself through excellence in service, as well as through its simplicity and proximity, the Bank serves individual consumers and small and medium-sized businesses. The Bank also offers its products to a wide network of independent financial intermediaries through B2B Trust, as well as full-service brokerage solutions through Laurentian Bank Securities.

Laurentian Bank is well established in the Province of Quebec, operating the third-largest retail branch network. Elsewhere throughout Canada, it operates in specific market segments where it holds an enviable position. Laurentian Bank of Canada has more than \$18 billion in balance sheet assets and more than \$15 billion in assets under administration. Founded in 1846, the Bank employs close to 3,400 people.

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