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Provo Children's Home Build Group partner with UK philanthropist and local developer to raise funding and awareness of Provo Children's Home project

Providenciales, April 11, 2009 -- Provo Children's Home Build Group, a community volunteer group spearheading the development of a new home for disadvantaged children previously accommodated by the well known Nissi House in Providenciales held its first fundraising and awareness event on Saturday April 11, 2009 on Grace Bay Beach.

Initiated by UK philanthropist Diane Hearn, an owner of a vacation home at Grace Bay Club, together with Chairperson of the Provo Children's Home Build Group, Tanis Wake-Forbes, the event was based around an ocean swim which has been sponsored from funds provided by donors in the Turks & Caicos Islands, the UK, Canada and the US, among others.

Diane, who completed a similar fund raising swim in the UK, is an active swimmer and an owner of a vacation home at Grace Bay Club. As part of her efforts Diane invited Grace Bay Resorts CEO & Owner Mark Durliat, also an active swimmer, to join her in her efforts to find donors to attend the event and raise awareness for the Children's Home project.

Tanis Wake-Forbes, Chairperson of the project said: "We are enormously grateful for Diane's generous offer to do this sponsored swim in furthering the goals of the Children's Home Build Group to raise funds and awareness for this extremely worthwhile project. I am pleased to announce that our Group has secured commitments for funds totaling \$150,000 and we can also announce that Grace Bay Resorts is the first company to sign up for our "Donate-a-Room" program. This sponsored swim is the first of many events to be held by the Provo Children's Home Build Group.

Diane said: "I am privileged to be a regular visitor to Turks and Caicos Islands and have always been welcomed by the local people. I would like to help to give back something to the Islands and especially the children who are its future. PCH is a very important part of TCI and I would like to help to raise awareness for this worthwhile fund. I have had enormous support from my friends in the UK with pledges of over \$1,500 and the owners at Grace Bay Club and my friends in Provo, have contributed over \$2,000 with more coming in every day. It is my pleasure to swim in the most beautiful seas in the world."

About Provo Children's Home and Build Group

The Provo Children's Home, formerly Nissi House, was forced to relocate after the hurricanes in September 2008 and currently is operating in two separate locations, which cannot provide further needed space. The new Home will provide a 20-bed facility with additional overnight emergency rooms along with a living/media room, dining and kitchen area, computer/study room and caregiver accommodation. The Home will be located in Chalk Sound on 0.97 acres of land which has been graciously provided by the Turks & Caicos Government, close to the Police Sub Station.

The Children's Home Build Group is the brainchild of longtime resident Tanis Wake-Forbes and husband Art Forbes, along with their daughter Roxann Wake-Forbes, the Government psychologist for the Home, and comprises a collection of some of Provo's most accomplished professionals and businesspersons, all of whom have graciously donated their time to the project.

The PCH Build Group is aiming to raise \$1 million dollars for the new Home and is seeking contributions from the TCI community as well as frequent visitors to assist in this goal. Pledge forms and information is available on the website: www.pch.tc.