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**KIDS DAY EMPOWERS CHILDREN LIVING WITH DISABILITIES,
INTRODUCES ADAPTIVE SPORTS**

Kids Day
July 8, 2010 From 9 - 11:30 a.m.
City Park, Denver

Denver, Colo. – Kids Day 2010, part of the 30th National Veterans Wheelchair Games taking place in Denver July 4-9, 2010, provides area children with physical disabilities a chance to meet world-class wheelchair athletes, learn about living with disabilities and compete in wheelchair sports. The special event takes place at City Park, at Colorado Boulevard and 22nd Street from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 8.

Kids Day offers children with physical disabilities the opportunity to interact and participate in several athletic events including T-ball, basketball and wheelchair slalom, with the guidance of experienced wheelchair athletes competing in this year's National Veterans Wheelchair Games. Under the watchful eyes of the athlete mentors, the children will enjoy both interactive and educational activities.

Each year, Kids Day at the Games introduces the exciting world of adaptive sports and recreation to children with physical disabilities. At the conclusion of a fun-filled morning, a special closing ceremony takes place where the athletes will present the children with their own medals for participating in Kids Day.

Denver area youth ages 6 to 14 years old are invited to participate. The event is free. Parents can register their child by contacting either Dawn Hendrix at (303) 691-6545 or email at dawn.hendrix@va.gov; or Sheila Skipper at (800) 424-8200 or email sheilas@pva.org.

The National Veterans Wheelchair Games are presented by the Department of Veterans Affairs and Paralyzed Veterans of America. This year's event is hosted by the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System and the Mountain States Chapter, Paralyzed Veterans of America. For more details about the Games, please visit www.wheelchairgames.va.gov.

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