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Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance's Molly Cade Memorial Golf Tournament

Minneapolis, July 14, 1009 – Julie Nelson is busy helping plan the Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance's 9th annual "Molly Cade Memorial Golf Tournament" in memory of her mother, Molly Cade. The tournament will take place Monday July 20 at Brackett's Crossing Country Club in Lakeville.

Molly Cade's diagnosis of ovarian cancer in 1998 came as a huge shock to Molly and her family. After being diagnosed, Molly began searching for answers. Finding very little information about ovarian cancer, Molly felt confused, lost, and alone. Why wasn't there more information out there? Where should she look? Where should she go? Molly made this search her cause, in hopes that no other woman would have to feel the way she had.

Molly teamed up with other survivors of ovarian cancer, forming the Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance (MOCA). It started with meetings in Molly's own living room. Molly became absorbed by her work for MOCA. "She was constantly talking to patients on the phone, constantly working. Our dining room became the MOCA office. There were MOCA materials everywhere," says her daughter, Julie Nelson. Molly's incredible devotion to MOCA was her strength in fighting her own disease.

Molly Cade turned every challenge into an opportunity, even cancer. Now, five years after the disease took Molly's life, MOCA celebrates its 10th year of success. "Mom would be so proud," Julie says, "but she would never take the credit. She was so humble. Her work was never about her disease, it was about helping other women". The annual Molly Cade Golf Tournament honors Molly and her work and hopes to raise \$100,000 to help MOCA in its mission to fund ovarian cancer research, increase awareness of ovarian cancer, and provide support to women and their families touched by the disease.

There will be two golf tournaments on Monday, shotgun start at 7:30am and 1pm. The tournament is paired with the 10th Anniversary Gala, which will take place the evening before at 5pm in Brackett's Crossing's Platinum Ballroom. Tickets are \$200 for the Golf Tournament and Gala. "I wish she were here to speak to people about the disease the way she used to," Julie says "When she spoke, people listened. She could grab an audience. She just lit up a room."

For more information about MOCA, the “Molly Cade Memorial Golf Tournament” or ovarian cancer, visit www.mnovarain.org.

About the Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance (MOCA):

Founded in 1999 by a group of ovarian cancer survivors, Minnesota Ovarian Cancer Alliance (MOCA) funds ovarian cancer research in Minnesota, educate the medical community, raises awareness of the disease, and provides support to women with ovarian cancer and their families.