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MEDIA ADVISORY

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St. Johns County Officially Opens *Palencia Park*

St. Augustine, FL - The St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners along with Marshall Creek Limited will officially open Palencia Park, located on 649 Palencia Club Drive, during a 10:00 a.m. ceremony on Saturday, August 13, 2005.

There will be a grand ceremonial presentation and documental exchange of ownership as the Palencia Park becomes St. Johns County Recreation & Park's newest activity resource location. St. Johns County currently owns, operates and maintains over 80 public recreational parks. Dan Weimer, Director of Recreation & Parks said this newest addition is particularly important to the community because of its location. "The park is absolutely outstanding. I'm pleased that the citizens living in St. Johns County have a park for family recreation."

St. Johns County received Palencia Park through the Marshall Creek Development Order Agreement. The agreement provided and included the infrastructure and public recreational needs for the citizenry living in the surrounding developmental location. The park's spectacularly themed pirate ship playground and premier fields were designed and built on ten (10) acres of land.

St. Johns County will open Palencia Park with the traditional ribbon cutting ceremony, which will include participation from elected officials and representatives from the development. This two hour celebration will conclude with plenty of refreshments, fun and entertainment for the public to enjoy. District 1 Commissioner Cyndi Stevenson will be in attendance.

Note: Media is invited to visit prior to grand opening for photos or video.

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