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THE FOURTH AND FINAL WALK FOR A MISSING FIRST NATION WOMAN IS UNDERWAY

(Saskatoon, SK) The Muskego family from the Onion Lake First Nation have dedicated their 350 kilometre walk from Onion Lake to Saskatoon to their missing daughter Daleen Bosse Muskego who was last seen in Saskatoon, May 18, 2004. This is the fourth walk the Muskego family have made from the west central Saskatchewan reserve to Saskatoon – it will also be the final time the family will make such a trek.

“According to our cultural protocols we do things in four,” says Herb Muskego, the father of Daleen Bosse Muskego. “We will continue with other things to raise awareness of missing women and continue our efforts to find our daughter.”

This year’s walk began Monday July 21, 2008 at the Onion Lake First Nation. The plan is to cover about 70 kilometres a day. The majority of the distance is made up by runners who will take shifts in order to meet the daily targets. The group of 20 or so walkers plan to arrive at Saskatoon’s City Hall for a 1 p.m. event Friday July 25th. They will then walk to the University of Saskatchewan for another event at the University Bowl beginning at 2:30 p.m.

“If it wasn’t for the runners it would take us two weeks to finish the walk,” says Muskego. “All along the way, we hope to have people join us. When we get to Saskatoon City Hall, we hope even more people will walk with us. We want to remember all the missing and murdered Aboriginal women out there.” There are more than 500 missing Aboriginal women in Canada.

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