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### **2009 Miss America Katie Stam Joins Life Centers Celebration**

INDIANAPOLIS— 2009 Miss America Katie Stam will join 43<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States, George W. Bush, and Grammy Award-winning gospel singer Sandi Patty for the Life Centers Celebration of Life at Conseco Fieldhouse on Thursday, April 15 at 7pm.

“We are excited that the first Miss America from Indiana has joined this event benefitting women in unplanned pregnancies,” Brian Boone, Life Centers president and CEO, said. “Miss America Katie Stam continues to be a role model in demonstrating her passion for service and saving lives in our community.”

Katie Stam recently returned to Indiana after a year of travelling over 250,000 miles representing the Miss America organization and serving as the National Goodwill Ambassador for Children’s Miracle Network, raising millions of dollars for the cause.

Katie will be performing vocal numbers with Sandi Patty and the Heritage Christian High School Colla Voce choir at the event.

“I am thrilled to be performing with Sandi Patty, an artist I admire,” Stam said. “Having both performed her song ‘Via Dolorosa’ at the finals of the Miss America pageant and also having sung a duet with her this year, I look forward to teaming up with her again for this special event.”

The proceeds from the event will benefit Life Centers, a nonprofit Christian ministry which helps women in unplanned pregnancies by providing free services including pregnancy tests,



ultrasounds, confidential peer counseling, 24-hour help line calls, post-abortion and maternity support at its eight pregnancy resource centers across Central Indiana.

“We are grateful that President George W. Bush, Sandi Patty, and 2009 Miss America Katie Stam will inspire our community to create a culture of life at the crossroads of America and to show compassion to women in unplanned pregnancies,” Boone said.

As Miss America, Katie promoted her personal platform of community service and involvement at the White House, across the country working with numerous non-profits, and with the United States military.

Katie now lives in Indianapolis, continuing her work with organizations across the nation. She is pursuing a career in broadcasting and will marry her boyfriend of four years this summer.

Stam attended the University of Indianapolis and grew up in Seymour, Indiana, on her parent's dairy farm. She is the youngest of four children, a 10-year 4-H member, a volunteer at her church, active in many clubs and service organizations and participated in many sports.

Tickets for the Celebration of Life are on sale now at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com). Prices for the event are \$69.50, \$49.50 and \$29.50. This is a concert and keynote event. Dinner will not be served. Doors open and concessions are available at 6pm. Event begins at 7pm. Tickets are available at the Conseco Fieldhouse Box Office, all Ticketmaster outlets, by phone at (800) 745-3000 or online at [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com). For all other information, visit [lifecenters.com](http://lifecenters.com) or call (317) 280-2635.

*The mission of Life Centers is to affirm the value of life by providing a network of care to those experiencing pregnancy-related crisis and by compassionately presenting biblical truth resulting in changed lives to the glory of God.*