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**LOCAL NEWTON BUSINESS LEADER MAKES SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENT TO ANNUAL FUNDRAISER TO FIGHT MUSCLE DISEASE**

Joseph Albanese, CEO of the Newton-based general contractor and construction management firm Commodore Builders, is pleased to announce the company's \$6,500 MVP sponsorship of the Muscular Dystrophy Association's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Muscle Team fundraiser, which will take place on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at The Fairmont Copley Plaza, Boston. Commodore Builders is a long-time sponsor of the Muscle Team event and is involved in other MDA fundraising events throughout the year, thanks to Mr. Albanese and members of his organization.

Muscle Team is the Muscular Dystrophy Association's largest annual fundraiser in the Greater Boston area, bringing together business leaders from Boston's construction, real estate, engineering, and architectural industries, professional athletes like Ted Donato, Mark Recchi, Mark Stuart, Shawn Thornton, Steve DeOssie, Steve Nelson, and Alicia Sacramone, and families with children affected by a neuromuscular disease.

Over the past 5 years, over \$1 million has been raised through the Muscle Team event, providing much-needed funding for research projects in the area, as well as health care services to over 1,000 residents of the metro Boston area who are living with muscular dystrophy, ALS, or another neuromuscular disease.

Mr. Albanese and Commodore Builders remain tireless friends of MDA, dedicating their time, energy, and considerable business influence to the success of the organization and its fundraising events.

Established in 1950, the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) is a non-profit, voluntary health agency dedicated to providing comprehensive medical services to over one million Americans affected by muscular dystrophy and related diseases. The Association's programs are funded almost entirely by individual private contributors. MDA is the country's largest private-sector sponsor of muscular dystrophy research and also provides summer camps, support groups, assistance with obtaining and repairing all types of medical durable equipment, including wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices.

Mr. Albanese founded Commodore Builders in 2002. Today, Commodore Builders provides clients with a full range of construction services, from project conception, to pre-construction, execution, close-out and warranty service. Commodore has appeared on the BBJ's Pacesetters List, the Inc. 5000 list, the Globe's 100 Best Places to Work, and BBJ's list of largest general contractors. Commodore is committed to providing excellent employment opportunities in the local community.

To learn more about Muscle Team 2011 please visit [www.muscleteamboston.com](http://www.muscleteamboston.com) or contact MDA Boston at (617) 368-9155. For more information about MDA, and its work across the country, please visit [www.mda.org](http://www.mda.org). For more information about Commodore Builders, please visit [www.commodorebuilders.com](http://www.commodorebuilders.com) or contact Lauren Larson at (617)-614-3500.

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