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FALMOUTH—In response to the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing measures put in place throughout the state of Maine, Konbit Sante Cap-Haitien Health Partnership is transforming its annual 5K fundraiser, Maine Walks with Haiti, into a month-long virtual fundraiser, We Walk with Haiti, beginning June 1.

The coronavirus pandemic has disrupted supply chains in Haiti and contributed to the extreme poverty and lack of resources that makes delivering health care in the country difficult even under normal circumstances. Konbit Sante is working with the Haiti Ministry of Health and other non-government organizations (NGOs) to provide its healthcare partners in North Haiti with the resources and training necessary to provide their communities with coronavirus awareness and treatment while also continuing to provide normal medical care.

Maine Walks with Haiti is Konbit Sante's largest annual fundraiser, and proceeds raised from the event make up a significant portion of its annual operating budget. By making We Walk with Haiti a month-long virtual event, the Falmouth-based non-profit organization is endeavoring to raise funds that will enable it to continue its work while providing a fun and engaging event for supporters worldwide.

People can participate in We Walk with Haiti via a number of ways:

Peer-to-peer fundraising. Ask friends, colleagues, and family members to support your efforts as you raise funds. Walk or run around your neighborhood. Ride a bicycle or exercise bike. Hike, kayak, swim, paint, sing, dance—*whatever you want to do*. Be creative!

Set up a peer-to-peer fundraiser without doing anything. Simply ask for donations to support Konbit Sante—no other action required.

Become a sponsor. Sponsorships have always been crucial in helping us meet our fundraising goal. Several sponsorship levels are available at tinyurl.com/We-Walk-with-Haiti-Sponsorship.

Make a direct donation. Many people support Konbit by simply giving a financial gift. For the first time, supporters are able to donate via mobile text by texting "KONBIT" to 71777.

For more information and to participate in We Walk with Haiti, visit konbitsante.org/wewalk-with-haiti. For more information about Konbit Sante and its work, visit konbitsante.org.

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