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## **Jacksonville Resident to be a Bright Light in Times Square** *National Down Syndrome Awareness Video Features Caleb Prewitt*

**NEW YORK, NY** — Caleb Prewitt of Jacksonville, FL, will appear in lights on Broadway on Saturday, September 26, 2009 as part of the **National Down Syndrome Society's** video production to demonstrate that people with Down syndrome can be successfully included in community activities, education and employment.

The photo of Caleb, 2 ½ years old, who has Down syndrome, was selected from over 2,500 entries in the NDSS nationwide call for photos. Approximately 226 photographs will appear in a video production to be shown on the MTV Plasma screen, located in the heart of Times Square.

Caleb is pictured with his older sister Courtney at Halloween Festivities from 2008.

The video production, coordinated by NDSS, illustrates children, teens and adults with Down syndrome working, playing and learning with friends and family.

The Times Square video production kicks off National Down Syndrome Awareness Month, which includes the **2009 Buddy Walk**. This year, walks will be held in more than 275 cities across the country, as well as many international walks. **John C. McGinley**, who plays Dr. Perry Cox in the hit ABC show "Scrubs," is the 2009 National Buddy Walk Spokesman. Mr. McGinley is both an accomplished actor and the proud father of Max, his eleven-year-old son who has Down syndrome. The New York City Buddy Walk will be led by Mr. McGinley and NDSS Goodwill Ambassador **Chris Burke**, star of the long-running ABC series, "**Life Goes On.**" For information about National Down Syndrome Awareness Month or the NDSS Buddy Walk, visit [www.ndss.org](http://www.ndss.org) or call **800-221-4602**.

### **About NDSS**

The National Down Syndrome Society is a nonprofit organization representing the more than 400,000 Americans with Down syndrome. The mission of NDSS is to be the national advocate for the value, acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome. The National Down Syndrome Society envisions a world in which all people with Down syndrome have the opportunity to enhance their quality of life, realize their life aspirations, and become valued members of welcoming community. NDSS has over 275 affiliates nationwide. To learn more visit [www.ndss.org](http://www.ndss.org).

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