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**Getting2Tri Receives Official Nonprofit Status
IRS Approves 501(c)(3) Status to Sports Organization**

ATLANTA, July 7, 2008 – The [Getting2Tri Foundation, Inc.](http://www.getting2tri.org) (G2T, online at www.getting2tri.org), a sports organization with headquarters in Atlanta, received its official 501(c)(3) tax exempt status from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. The designation allows donors who support the mission to claim tax deductions for contributions and allows the organization to apply for grants that require the status. It also allows G2T to accept tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers and gifts under the current tax codes. Formed in 2006, the organization provides coaching, mentoring and training in the sports of running, swimming, cycling to physically-challenged individuals.

"We're thankful to be recognized as a public charity that meets the qualifications required to receive this status," said Mike Lenhart, founder and president of The Getting2Tri Foundation. "The new designation allows those who believe in our mission, or who are inspired by our efforts, to benefit from their contributions. It allows us to expand our available resources to meet the needs of the individuals we serve." As part of their official nonprofit status, G2T unveiled its refreshed Web site under the new domain www.getting2tri.org. The transition from '.com' to '.org' reflects the organizations tax-exempt status, and its commitment to serve physically-challenged athletes and be a positive part of local communities.

While G2T works with physically-challenged athletes throughout the country and at every fitness level, from beginner to elite, the organization also includes able-bodied athletes who serve as coaches, mentors, and partners. "For those without a physical disability, G2T brings a purpose to participation in sports," offered Lenhart. "And for those who have a disability, we offer the guidance and support needed to achieve their athletic goals, whether it's completing a single event as part of a relay team, or crossing the finish line at an Ironman triathlon."

Focused on grassroots outreach and support, G2T currently is building immediate chapters in Atlanta, Ga. and Charlotte, NC with plans for expansion as resources allow.

About The Getting2Tri Foundation

Getting2Tri believes that individuals with a disability deserve the inspiration, support and opportunity to participate in athletic endeavors that promote healthy, active lifestyles. Our mission is to provide services and programs through the sports of swimming, cycling, and running to align physically challenged

individuals with their athletic pursuits, create communities for knowledge sharing, and reduce the perceived barriers between people. You can learn more, or contribute to our efforts, at www.getting2tri.org.

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EDITOR'S NOTES

Interview Available:

Mike Lenhart, founder and president, Getting2Tri Foundation.

Images Available:

High resolution images of physically-challenged athletes in action are available

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