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INVACARE CORPORATION TEAMS WITH THE PEACE PROJECT TO PROVIDE AID TO SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA

ELYRIA, Ohio – (August 30, 2011) – Invacare Corporation (NYSE: IVC) is donating equipment and parts to The Peace Project to support their initiative, Operation Rise. This initiative will commence with the presentation of crutches and mobility devices to more than 10,000 men, women and children who lost limbs to war or polio, and will take place in Sierra Leone on World Peace Day, September 21, 2011.

Invacare Corporation is donating 1,500 forearm crutches, with Invacare Supply Group donating over 4,500 spare parts for crutch repairs. The shipping container and related services were donated by JAS Forwarding. Invacare's distribution center in New Jersey was used as a collection point for a number of donations, which are now en route to Sierra Leone.

“At the core of Invacare is our belief in the importance of having the means to live life to the fullest,” said Carl Will, senior vice president, global commercial operations at Invacare. “We are proud to assist The Peace Project with Operation Rise and to help those suffering due to war and disease, regain their access and mobility.”

Sierra Leone experienced a 10-year civil war which resulted in 75,000 dead, millions displaced and 10,000 amputations by machete and bullets. Many believe that the progressive political climate in Sierra Leone along with the country's rich natural resources and relatively small population, make it a prime candidate for recovery. Once the country is revitalized, it can hopefully be used worldwide as an example of how peace can be achieved.

“The idea of celebrating World Peace Day by solving a problem caused by war once and for all is the driving force behind Operation Rise,” said The Peace Project's Founder Lisa Schultz. “Invacare has rallied around the idea in a profound and significant way, as have numerous individuals, non-government organizations and other corporate supporters to make this awe-inspiring initiative a reality.”

To make a tax deductible contribution or for more information, visit www.thepeaceproject.com

Invacare Corporation (NYSE:IVC), headquartered in Elyria, Ohio, is the global leader in the manufacture and distribution of innovative home and long-term care medical products that promote recovery and active lifestyles. The Company has 6,300 associates and markets its products in 80 countries around the world. The Company was named to the 2011 Fortune 1000 list and to the 2010 IndustryWeek U.S. Manufacturing 500. For more information about the Company and its products, visit Invacare's website at www.invacare.com.

About the Peace Project

The Peace Project aims to inspire in peace-minded individuals everywhere the belief that through creativity, compassion, a common goal and community action, a difference can be made – such a difference that universal peace begins looking like a real possibility. The Peace Project was launched when Lisa Schultz, founder of online creative community TheWhole9.com, asked "If one person can single-handedly establish World Peace Day, what can an entire creative community do?"

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