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### **ARTHRITIS WALK® RAISES \$120,000 TO DATE IN PARKLAND *More Than 200 Walkers Help Raise Funds and Awareness for Arthritis Foundation***

PARKLAND— Keiser University participated on Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, in The Arthritis Walk, an annual nationwide walk event for the Arthritis Foundation, raising thousands of dollars Sunday morning in Parkland at the Third Annual Walk, making the total raised in 3 years over \$120,000. More than 200 walkers turned out at Pine Trails Park to help raise funds and awareness to fight arthritis, one of the nation's leading causes of disability.

Keiser University is proud to have been a participant in this walk and is pleased to have raised \$2,029 for the Arthritis Foundation. To illustrate their commitment there were 12 volunteers who participated in the walk from the Fort Lauderdale and Pembroke Pines campuses. In addition there were three massage students, as well as their instructor who attended and gave massages to the participants of the arthritis walk.

“Arthritis impacts so many lives and I am delighted to have helped to raise funds and awareness for the Arthritis Foundation,” said Gail Michaels, Realtor Associate and chair of the Arthritis Foundation, Broward Region. “I know that funding leading-edge research, health education and government advocacy efforts will make a difference in the lives of the 5 million people in Florida living with arthritis.”

In conjunction with National Arthritis Month this May, Arthritis Walks are being held in more than 400 communities across the country. Arthritis is more widespread than imagined, affecting 46 million Americans, including one in five adults and 300,000 children.

Dollars raised at the Arthritis Walk will further the Arthritis Foundation's efforts to improve lives through leadership in the prevention, control and cure of arthritis and related diseases. For more information about the Arthritis Foundation's programs and services, please call 954-675-1536 or visit [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org).

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