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## Marine Corps 17.75K Sells Out 3,300 Entries

*An expanded field of runners to receive 'Access Granted' to the 44th MCM*

**QUANTICO, VA (February 21, 2018)** – All available 3,300 entries to the Marine Corps 17.75K sold out with runners from 42 states, the District of Columbia and three countries.

This coveted 11.03-mile event through the hills and trails of Prince William Forrest Park commemorates the founding year of the U.S. Marine Corps and allows all finishers 'Access Granted' to the 44th Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) held on Oct. 27 in Arlington, VA and the nation's capital.

An additional 200 entries were added to this year's field that is comprised of 52 percent males and 48 percent females. The first runner to grab a successful entry was Lisa Movit from Herndon, Virginia. A total of 435 Marines successfully registered. The youngest runner is 12 years old and the most senior runner is age 76.

Runners eagerly queued up their computers to register online preparing for a record sell out, challenging the registration system and leading to a period of technical delay. The event ultimately sold out in 53 minutes and 49 seconds.

“At 12:05 PM, haku's registration platform experienced a period of 30 minutes of degraded service. While this was not a complete outage, errors or issues in the registration experience occurred. During this period 1,085 participants were able to register at an average rate of 37 registrations per minute. This issue did not occur because the system was unable to handle the load but rather was due to an error in the setup of the auto-scaling mechanism. The source of the issue was identified and resolved at 12:35 p.m. and registrations scaled to over 135 per minute. haku does not take any service interruptions lightly and understands the impact on both the participant experience and the MCMO. We are already working to further troubleshoot and identify additional applicable falsifies that may be beneficial in upcoming registration events,” stated Carlos Escobar, CEO, haku, MCM Partner.

The Marine Corps 17.75K begins at 7 a.m. along Dumfries Road/Route 234 in Prince William County on March 23. Participants will receive a standout finisher medal, specially designed technical dye sublimated t-shirt, commemorative bib and 'Access Granted' to the 44<sup>th</sup> MCM. All finishers will receive a dedicated link by email following the event with access to register for the 44th MCM.

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### Highlights:

- >>> Marine Corps 17.75K sells more than 3,000 entries
  - >>> 200 more than last year
  - >>> 11.03-mile event guarantees 'Access Granted' to the 44th MCM
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