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“HAVRE de GRACE” and owner, Rick Porter honored at Delaware Park Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program has produced another winner



HAVRE de GRACE winning the OBEAH STAKES at Delaware Park with Jockey, Gabriel Saez

On October 15, 2011, Rick Porter’s outstanding filly, “HAVRE de GRACE” was honored with a proclamation from Governor Jack Markell noting October 15th as “HAVRE de GRACE” day in Delaware. The Delaware Park based filly has had resounding success with grade one wins in the Woodward and Beldame Stakes. “HAVRE de GRACE” is a product of the Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program (DCTP) having spent its required enrollment period at Candy Land Farm in Middletown, Delaware, one of more than 70 such farms spread throughout Delaware.

Delaware Secretary of Agriculture, Ed Kee, presented the proclamation to Rick Porter in the Delaware Park paddock. Kee forwarded best wishes from Governor Markell to Rick Porter, trainer, J. Larry Jones, and jockey, Ramon Dominguez for the upcoming Breeder’s Cup Classic in which “HAVRE de GRACE” is expected to be entered. A win in the Breeder’s Cup Classic will give “HAVRE de GRACE” an excellent chance of being named Horse of the Year.

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Following the presentation, Rick Porter signed photographs of “HAVRE de GRACE” that were provided courtesy of Delaware Park and the Delaware Thoroughbred Certified Program (DTCP) to visiting fans.

The day was capped with four DTCP Stakes offering purse money in the amount of \$75,000.00 in each event, respectively.

For more information about HAVRE de Grace, contact John Wayne, Executive Director of the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission at (302) 994-2521 ext 8970 (voice mail). For more information about the Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program, contact Bessie Gruwell at (302) 994-2521 Ext. 7284.



Ed Kee, Secretary of Agriculture and Rick Porter, owner.

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