

GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB #1 Yacht Road, San Francisco, California USA 94123

## Statement by GGYC Commodore Marcus Young

**Valencia (February 15, 2010)** – A challenge has been received from the Club Nautico di Roma. GGYC is pleased to confirm that the Italian club will be the Challenger of Record for 34<sup>th</sup> America's Cup.

We look forward to working in close partnership with CNR and their challenging team – "Mascalzone Latino" owned by world champion sailor Vincenzo Onorato – to reinvigorate the America's Cup. Mascalzone Latino competed as a challenger for both the 2003 and 2007 America's Cup.

GGYC and CNR have pledged to start a dialogue and wide-ranging discussions with the America's Cup community, including existing and prospective teams.

The objective is to ensure that the 34<sup>th</sup> America's Cup is built on the foundations of the competition's unique past as well as on a shared vision for its future.

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