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American Brain Tumor Association Receives 4-Star Fiscal Responsibility Rating from Charity Navigator

ABTA Among Only 2 Percent of Organizations to Receive 7th Consecutive Designation

(Oct. 9, 2009 – Des Plaines, Ill.) – For the seventh consecutive year, Charity Navigator has awarded the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) a 4-star rating for sound fiscal management.

The designation is based on ABTA's "ability to efficiently manage and grow its finances." Only 2 percent of Charity Navigator-endorsed charities have received seven consecutive 4-star evaluations.

"For 35 years, ABTA has helped play an important role in unraveling the mysteries of brain tumors while serving as a leading resource for information on brain tumor treatment and care," said ABTA Executive Director Elizabeth M. Wilson. "While we have seen significant progress, none of it would be possible without the ongoing commitment and support of our family of donors and sponsors. Maintaining their trust is an utmost priority."

Charity Navigator designation indicates that the "American Brain Tumor Association consistently executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way, and outperforms most other charities in America," said Ken Berger, president and chief executive officer of Charity Navigator, in a recent letter to ABTA. This "exceptional designation from Charity Navigator differentiates American Brain Tumor Association from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust."

More information on ABTA's Charity Navigator rating is available at:
<http://www.charitynavigator.org/index.cfm?bay=search.summary&orgid=7605>.

In addition to the Charity Navigator 4-star rating, ABTA has received the highest accreditations and ratings from the following charity and consumer watchdog organizations:

- **The Better Business Bureau**
- **The American Institute of Philanthropy**
- **Independent Charities of American (ICA)**

Founded in 1973, the American Brain Tumor Association was the first national non-profit organization dedicated solely to promoting brain tumor research while providing brain tumor patients and their families with care and treatment information and resources. Today, the American Brain Tumor Association is a leader in research, education and support. For more information on American Brain Tumor Association, visit abta.org, or call 800-886-2282.

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