



**TOM SLATE ANNOUNCED AS HEAD COACH
Philadelphia Barrage Assistant To Lead Dragons In 2008**

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Burlingame (CA) – The San Francisco Dragons of Major League Lacrosse announced today that Tom Slate has been hired as the team’s Head Coach for the 2008 season. Slate has served as assistant coach for the Philadelphia Barrage since 2005 and helped lead the Barrage to two consecutive MLL Championships (2006 and 2007). In addition to his duties with the Barrage, he is also the Head Coach at Downingtown East High School where he has been since 2004. His



2007 team won the Pennsylvania State Championship and in doing so he became the first coach to win a State Title as both a player (Springfield HS '92) and coach in Pennsylvania history. Prior to coaching at Downingtown East he served as Assistant Coach at Radnor HS (PA) helping to take Radnor to the State semis and finals in consecutive years.

Slate graduated from West Chester University with a degree in Health and Physical Education with an emphasis in fitness. He was a 1st team All American selection at Essex Community College (MD) and a 1st team High School All American and Captain for Springfield HS (PA) State Championship team. He played for seven years with the Philadelphia Wings of the National Lacrosse League where he helped the team win two World Championships in 1998 and 2001. He then played for the MLL’s Baltimore Bayhawks for one season. In addition, he was selected to represent the USA at the Heritage Cup.

Currently he is the Owner of Lacrosse Evolution in Downingtown, Pennsylvania where he lives with his wife Stacy and daughter Rylee and son Lucas.

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“We are extremely fortunate to have a person of Tom's background and experience to join our organization” commented Executive Vice President and General Manager Doug Locker. “Tom brings a great deal of experience and enthusiasm, and we could not be happier having him as our Head Coach” Locker continued.

"I'm privileged and excited to be selected as Head Coach of the San Francisco Dragons, and am eager to get started." commented Slate. "I have set goals in my mind for the team, and those goals are high. We have alot of work to do and I'm excited to get the Dragons into the elite teams in Major League Lacrosse" continued Slate.

Tickets can be ordered by calling 650-375-1208 or visiting the team website at www.sanfranciscodragons.com.

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About the San Francisco Dragons

The San Francisco Dragons are members of Major League Lacrosse (MLL), a ten-team professional outdoor lacrosse league. The San Francisco Dragons opened their inaugural 2006 season as one of four expansion teams which also included the Chicago Machine, Denver Outlaws and Los Angeles Riptide. These teams combined to make up the MLL’s Western Conference. The Dragons played at San Francisco’s historic Kezar Stadium for their first two years before moving to the Spartan Stadium at San Jose University for their 2008 season. For more information on the San Francisco Dragons, visit www.sanfranciscodragons.com.

About Major League Lacrosse

Major League Lacrosse, a ten-team professional outdoor lacrosse league, was founded in 1999 by fitness entrepreneur Jake Steinfeld, CEO of Body by Jake Global L.L.C., and founding partners Dave Morrow, a former champion lacrosse player and now CEO of Warrior Lacrosse, a leading global provider of innovative and high performance lacrosse equipment; Timothy B. Robertson, former CEO of The Family Channel and the current chairman of Bay Shore Enterprises, L.L.C., an investment holding company with activities in international media and Internet technology ventures; and Jim Davis, chairman and CEO of New Balance. The MLL commenced play in June of 2001. The MLL is comprised of two conferences. The Eastern Conference contains the original six teams, Boston, Long Island, New Jersey, Philadelphia, Rochester and Washington. The Western Conference debuted in the 2006 season with MLL expansion franchises Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles and San Francisco. Additional league information can be found at www.majorleaguelacrosse.com.

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