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Zipline Marriage Proposal Marks a First

St. Cloud, FL – July 13, 2009 The first marriage proposal to ever take place on the new Zipline Safari at Florida EcoSafaris was made on July 11, 2009. While ziplining through the treetops of the Forever Florida wildlife conservation area, Brian Middleton (30), a Seminole county firefighter, popped the question to his sweetheart of 14 years, Shawn Lacy (29).

The adventurous couple from Winter Springs, FL knew they were in for some thrills, but Shawn, a resale advisor for Marriott Vacation Club, had no idea just what was in store for her. Shawn recounts, "On the last zip line, while I was screaming in mid zip, Brian shouted out "Will You Marry Me?" I turned around with disbelief and shouted "What?" I thought he was joking with me. He came down the zipline after me, walked up to me and said "Well, will you marry me?" He then dropped to one knee and presented the ring to me. It was already such an amazing day zipping. When I found out that we were the first people to get engaged, it made it that much more special." Shawn's answer was an emphatic "yes!"

Forever Florida is home to nearly 200 species of birds that pass through the 9 different ecosystems being preserved by donations and revenue from eco-activities like the Zipline Safari. The wildlife conservation area is happy to be able to add "love-birds" to that list.

Shawn and Brian can be reached for comment at 407-538-9266.

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About Florida EcoSafaris at Forever Florida: Florida EcoSafaris is a unique eco-tourism attraction located in St. Cloud, Florida; just one hour southeast of Orlando. Departing from a picturesque cattle and horse ranch, guests enjoy 4700 acres of Florida's heritage and journey deep into the Forever Florida wildlife conservation area. This very special place encompasses nine distinct ecosystems preserved just as nature intended. Guests experience natural streams, forests, pastures, wetlands and learn about the wide array of Forever Florida's wildlife including alligators, black bears, white-tail deer and the endangered Florida panther. Three fully-guided tour options are offered: Coach Safari, Horseback Safari and NEW for 2009 the Zipline Safari. Visitors make a positive impact on the environment as a substantial portion of revenues go toward the purchase of additional lands to be conserved at Forever Florida.

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Directions: Florida EcoSafaris at Forever Florida, 4755 N. Kenansville Road - St. Cloud, Florida 34773, about one hour southeast of Orlando. From east or west, take US 192 to Holopaw, then turn south on SR 441. Drive seven and one-half miles, and Florida EcoSafaris at Forever Florida will be on the east (left) side of the highway.