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VARSHA SEEKS SECOND CANADIAN VICTORY IN MONTREAL STAR MAZDA

Atlanta, GA, June 22, 2006 - Less than a year ago, Matt Varsha won the Skip Barber Formula Dodge championship round north of the border at Mt. Tremblant, Quebec. Saturday the Atlanta teenager goes for his second straight Canadian win in round five of the Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear, part of the Canadian Formula One Grand Prix weekend at the Gilles Villeneuve Circuit across the St. Lawrence River from downtown Montreal.

"We've been hurt recently by a lack of testing due to sponsorship issues" says Varsha, currently fifth in Star Mazda points after four of twelve rounds. "But Montreal is a track no one can test on, so we go in on a more level playing field. I learn new circuits quickly, which was a huge help last year at Mt. Tremblant. And since Tremblant and Montreal both have an F1 history, and both are located in Quebec, I'm looking for nothing less than a win in Montreal."

Varsha, son of SPEED television announcer Bob Varsha, comes into Montreal with the championship-winning Racers Edge Motorsports team off his first-ever oval track race on the Milwaukee Mile in Wisconsin, where he kept his record of never finishing out of the top ten in Star Mazda intact by racing from twentieth at the start up to 9th at the checkered flag.

"With no testing again, and a driver that had never been on an oval in his life, I knew this event would be the toughest of the year for us" commented REM team owner Jon Mirachi. "With his ample talent, Matt was able to get the hang of the unique driving techniques required for the oval quickly, and was turning respectable lap times. He used his head in the race and to finish 9th against all those other experienced oval drivers was just great!"

SPEED coverage of the Star Mazda Montreal round will air on July 9th at 1pm eastern. Sponsorship opportunities are available with Matt Varsha and Racers Edge Motorsports. Further information can be found at mattvarsha.com, racersedgemotorsports.com, and starmazda.com.