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5K AIDS / Cancer Run / Walk
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Mr. Joe Votinelli | Massapequa Bowl | 4235 Merrick Road | Massapequa, NY 11758

Re: 5K / AIDS / Cancer Run / Walk

Dear Mr. Joe Votinelli:

Thank you very much for your very generous donation of 50 bowling games to the Richard M. Brodsky Foundation. I am well aware there are thousands of AIDS and cancer charities you could have chosen to make a donation to. The Foundation holds true to the fact, that we are aware of other illnesses and believe that only when people from different genres of life come together, we can really *paint to a canvas that will evoke an image of hope for a brighter tomorrow*. It is very exciting for me to realize that the Richard M. Brodsky Foundation has a chance to help save lives in Africa and America, but only because of generous donors like you. Please accept this personalized Event T-shirt and Certificate of Appreciation as my way of thanking you.

We were very fortunate to have Long Island Minority AIDS Coalition provide free AIDS testing and counseling at the 5K / AIDS / Cancer Run / Walk. With respect to AIDS, half of the problem is for people to know if they are HIV-positive so they can begin taking the AIDS medicine and lead a healthy lifestyle. The Richard M. Brodsky Foundation seeks to help HIVers and cancer survivors by encouraging these folks to join a running club. Details about the club will be forthcoming. People could only join the Foundation sponsored running club if they join with someone who is healthy so no one knows who is sick or who is healthy. Running has helped save my life and I want to be able to help others living with so-called terminal illnesses as well.

Events are a great opportunity not just to raise money, but to also provide toiletry / gift items to people living with HIV and cancer. Last year the Foundation donated \$10,000 worth of toiletry gift items, the week of the New York City Marathon. We hope to exceed that amount this year. Similarly we have already exceeded the toy donations we made to Schneider Children's Hospital by donating \$2,000 in toys to children living with pediatric cancer. The Foundation will also be donating \$1,000 to Center of AIDS Research & Treatment for transportation costs for HIV+ people to visit their doctor.

Back in 1997 I was diagnosed with HIV and five years later in 2002, I was diagnosed with brain cancer and given only 2 – 4 years to live. I made a promise to myself and anyone else who was listening that if my life was spared I would do everything I could do to help people who were less fortunate than me. Thank you for helping me keep my promise.

Very Truly Yours,


Richard Brodsky, President
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