



February 1, 2014

RE: Izzie's Dash for Organ Donation

To Whom It May Concern:

We would like to tell you about our daughter and sister, Isabelle. She was spunky, smart, feisty, caring, and thoughtful. She loved Tinkerbell and the movie Annie. She approached each day with a positive attitude and displayed a never-give-up spirit that naturally drew people to her. During her short life Isabelle required two transplants. She received a stomach, liver, small bowel, duodenum and pancreas in 2004 when she was 6 years old and a kidney transplant two years later. Her transplants were her "Gift of Life" and, even at such a young age, she was a strong advocate for the importance of organ donation because Izzie was always looking out for others. Unfortunately, Izzie passed away at the age of 10 ½ on August 13, 2008.

Even during her own trials, Isabelle wanted to help other families and children with illnesses. To help fulfill her hopes and dreams, we have established the **Izzie's Gifts of Hope Foundation** under the Community Foundation of Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio. The purpose of Isabelle's foundation is to enrich the lives of these children and families by providing fun filled activities and outings that create normalcy and laughter during stressful times. In addition, **Izzie's Gifts of Hope Foundation** will be providing scholarships to students whose lives have been impacted by either organ donation or transplantation.

Our fifth fundraiser for the **Izzie's Gifts of Hope Foundation** will be held June 7, 2014 at North Boundary Park in Cranberry Township, PA. It is called **Izzie's Dash for Organ Donation**. It will be a family oriented event celebrating the "gift of life" while also raising awareness about the importance of organ donation. The walk/5K provides an opportunity to honor someone affected by organ donation whether they be a transplant candidate, a recipient, or a donor family member.

We hope that your business will help us fulfill Isabelle's dream. Please consider becoming a sponsor by making a contribution to Izzie's Gifts of Hope Foundation. We have attached sponsorship opportunities and a letter that states our affiliation with the Community Foundation of Western PA and Eastern OH.

For more information, please visit our website at www.izziesgifts.org. You may also call Izzie's Gifts of Hope Foundation at 724-591-6009. We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

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(Isabelle's parents and sisters)

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