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On September 11, 2011, I will be participating in a TGA Golf-A-Thon. I will be participating in this event along with kids from all over New Jersey. The event is open to kids 18 and under and the goal is to play 100 holes of golf in one day. I'm going to be doing this with the support of my friends and family... and hopefully you as well!

This TGA Golf-A-Thon is being done to raise money for the Roots & Wings Foundation. Roots and Wings is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that was established in 1999. What started as a collaborative, community-based volunteer operation has grown into a well-established organization made up of professional staff, trained mentors and dedicated volunteers. From the beginning, Roots & Wings has been client-centered, providing nurturing support, safe housing, educational support and practical life skills to young adults who have aged out of the child welfare system. Roots & Wings provides a foundation for this high-risk population of disadvantaged young adults on which they can build – replacing dependency with self-sufficiency.

50 cents for every \$10 donated will be going to the TGA Golf Foundation. The TGA Golf Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and is dedicated to providing children ages 4-18 with opportunities to learn golf and the life values that accompany it through educational programs at schools, youth centers and golf courses. Thanks to the support of our partners and individual donors,

thousands of kids are developing the skills they need to be successful on the golf course and on the course of life.

My goal is to raise at \$1,000 or \$10 per hole! Please help me reach that goal with your pledge. Your donation is tax deductible. I can take your donation now or you can mail all or part of your payment amount today to:

Roots & Wings 115 Route 46 West, Suite F-1000 Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Please make your check payable to "Roots & Wings." My deadline to get my pledges in is *September 1, 2011*.

With your support I hope to make a difference in the lives of youth aging out of the foster system in New Jersey. Thank you so much for your help!

Keep Swinging!

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