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TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!!!

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The Pipefitters Local Union 537 and the Boston Building Trades have partnered with the Muscular Dystrophy Association since 1985. For 70 years, the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) has been committed to transforming the lives of people living with muscular dystrophy, ALS, and related neuromuscular diseases. MDA does this through **innovations in science** and **innovations in care**. As the largest source of funding for neuromuscular disease research outside of the federal government, MDA has committed more than \$1 billion since its inception to accelerate the discovery of therapies and cures. Research supported is directly linked to life-changing therapies across multiple neuromuscular diseases.

MDA's MOVR is the first and only data hub that aggregates clinical, genetic, and patient-reported data for multiple neuromuscular diseases to improve health outcomes and accelerate drug development. MDA supports the largest network of multidisciplinary clinics providing best in class care at more than 150 of the nation's top medical institutions. The MDA Resource Center serves the community with one-on-one specialized support, and we offer educational conferences, events, and materials for families and healthcare providers.

MDA Advocacy supports equal access for our community, and each year thousands of children and young adults learn vital life skills and gain independence at summer camp and through recreational programs, at no cost to families. During the COVID-19 pandemic, MDA continues to produce virtual events and programming to support our community when in-person events and activities are not possible.

"MDA is indebted to the Pipefitters Local 537 for its unwavering support year in and year out. The above-mentioned breakthroughs and advances WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE without your generosity over the past 30+ years. THANK YOU!"
says Dana Nolan, MDA Executive Director.

Through your generosity and 30+ years of support, members of Local 537 have raised over \$750,000 for MDA's local services and we give real-life meaning to the principle that if everyone gives a little, we can accomplish a lot! Please join us in the fight against these dreaded diseases. Donate by check or in person at the Union Hall.

Mail check payable to MDA to: Pipefitters Union Hall, 40 Enterprise Street, Suite 420, Dorchester, MA 02125

Together, Pipefitters Local Union 537 and the Muscular Dystrophy Association can continue to bring hope to patients with this life altering muscle disease and reach the ultimate goal of finding a cure.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated contribution.

Fraternally,

Thomas P. Kerr, Jr.

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