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OPEN HEARTS, OPEN LOVE

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The World's Largest Speed Dating Event: A Guinness World Record Endeavor
For the Benefit of Meaghan Moleski and Family

In its simplest definition, love is the caring for the welfare of another person. When we say we love somebody, what we're really saying is that we care what happens to that person, that we have invested our hearts and emotions in that person's ongoing well-being. Love can be incredibly intimate and personal, such as in a marriage or romantic relationship. We can also have strong feelings of love in a collective, non-personal way. Our hearts are touched when we hear a story about a fellow human being's suffering on television or in the newspaper, or when we pass a homeless person outside our neighborhood supermarket sitting on the cold hard sidewalk.

On November 7 of this year, my five-year-old niece Meaghan had a 4cm tumor removed from her cerebellum. Doctors discovered the tumor on a Thursday and operated on her two days later. Meaghan has been diagnosed with medulloblastoma, a malignant form of brain cancer. She is coping with complications from the surgery and has begun a long journey of healing through her radiation and chemotherapy treatments. My younger brother Edward and his wife Amy are living every parent's worst nightmare. It has been an incredibly painful and sorrowful season for them and their two older children, Madison, 10, and Ethan, 8. But they have been equally touched and humbled by the outpouring of love and support from family, friends, church members, and perfect strangers, all of whom have awakened to a greater expression of love—not only their love for Meaghan and her family, but also their love for their own families, their own lives, and the world at large.

“Open Hearts, Open Love” is a special one-day event that will honor and further expand this channel of love that has opened up into the world through Meaghan's illness. This event will facilitate the gathering of like-minded souls looking for a romantic heartfelt connection—that personal aspect of intimate and personal love, with all its rewards and challenges; and, as a large-scale, multi-city fund-raising event, it will enable us to gather and share in the communal aspect of love for the well-being of a family who, although they may be personally unknown to us, we wish to reach out to, and offer our hearts and support to, during a particularly difficult time in their lives.

Please join me to help make this a very special day.

With Love,

GREG MOLESKI, PRESIDENT/CEO

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