



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF NORTHEAST OHIO**

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Joseph Degenfelder
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Dear Joseph Degenfelder & Family,

I hope this email finds you well, albeit during this difficult time. We would like to extend our heartfelt condolences on the passing of your beloved Pauline. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of profound loss.

On behalf of Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeast Ohio, I want to extend my gratitude for the transformational gift you and Pauline made to purchase personal computers as a learning aide for our clubs and support in training staff and older Club members to teach younger Club members about technology, as well as your more recent donation to support continued technology improvements. Pauline's immense contributions to our organization will always be remembered and cherished. As the first woman chair of the Board, she made a significant impact on our community. Her visionary leadership and deep commitment to our mission allowed us to expand our reach and make a lasting difference in the lives of countless children and young adults.

We also want to acknowledge Dr. Pauline Degenfelder's pivotal role in the establishment of our Broadway location. Her determination and dedication played a crucial part in creating a safe and nurturing environment for the children in our programs, providing them with opportunities and resources that have shaped their futures.

Please know that we are here to offer any assistance or support that you may need during this challenging time. Dr. Pauline Degenfelder's memory will continue to inspire us as we work tirelessly to carry forward her legacy, ensuring that her impact lives on for years to come.

Once again, please accept our deepest condolences. Our organization and the community at large mourn the loss of a remarkable individual whose influence will be remembered for generations.

With sincerest sympathies,

Allen Smith


Chief Executive Officer

Boys & Girls Club of Northeast Ohio