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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter verifies that Connor Schmidt is working with the Aplastic Anemia & MDS International Foundation (AA&MDSIF) as a volunteer fundraiser. Connor is organizing **Catherine's Craft Fair** on September 10, 2011 in S. Hamilton, MA to raise funds to benefit AA&MDSIF as it provides answers, support and hope to patients and families fighting bone marrow failure diseases.

Every day in the U.S. alone, 50+ people are diagnosed with these diseases that can strike anyone, of any age, race or nationality anywhere in the world. This year, about 18,000 people will be diagnosed in the U.S., and tens of thousands more are living with these life-threatening diseases. All can count on AA&MDSIF for support and services that make a difference in their lives.

Founded in 1983, the Aplastic Anemia & MDS International Foundation is dedicated to serving as a resource for patient assistance, advocacy, and support. AA&MDSIF provides patients and their families with support, as well as the latest medical information. AA&MDSIF also funds research to find cures for aplastic anemia, myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS), paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria (PNH), and other bone marrow failure diseases. Educational and support resources are free to patients and families, the media and the general public at [www.AAMDS.org/](http://www.AAMDS.org/) or by calling AA&MDSIF at 1.800.747.2820.

The Aplastic Anemia & MDS International Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service. Our Federal ID# is 52-1336903.

Thank you for your support of patients and families facing life-threatening bone marrow failure diseases and of Connor's efforts to raise awareness and support of our important work.

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