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Great Clips Charity Golf Classic Raises Record \$300,000 *Funds to Benefit Children's Hospitals, Clinics of Minnesota*

MINNEAPOLIS – [July 2009] – In its more than 25 years of existence, Great Clips, Inc. has had a history of giving back, and that tradition continues strong. The Great Clips Charity Golf Classic raised a record \$300,000 as this year's event held June 22 at Bearpath Golf & Country Club in Eden Prairie, Minn.

The Great Clips Charity Golf Classic began in 1997 as a means to provide funding and awareness for underfunded but necessary programs at Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota. The event is a collaborative effort between the Great Clips corporate office in Edina, Minn., and the Associations of Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota—Minneapolis and St. Paul.

This year's donations have been earmarked to the Child Life fund, making a child's visit to the hospital a positive experience by minimizing the stress children can feel during stays or visits to the clinics, emergency rooms, radiology or surgery.

Before joining the Classic in the afternoon, the Great Clips Racing team, including Nationwide Series driver Jason Leffler and ARCA Re/Max Series and Camping World Truck Series driver Gabi DiCarlo, visited the kids at Children's Hospital in Minneapolis.

Also supporting Children's, the local Great Clips salon community has raised more than \$600,000 in the past 17 years to support various underfunded programs at Children's through events such as cut-a-thons.

Great Clips, Inc. and the Associations of Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota would like to thank and gratefully acknowledge the generous support of the sponsors who have made this event possible:

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