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Mr. Justin "Bucky" Buckhold
Director, Veditz Center
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Dear Mr. Buckhold

Recently, there has been some discussion in the community regarding information written in the program book for the *All the Way* production that was performed during the weekend of October 8-9, 2010. For the record, Sprint Relay does not endorse the opinions expressed in the program book and regrets sponsoring the Veditz Center for this particular request.

Sprint Relay has sponsored numerous community events over the past 20 years and has never been associated with such perceived or real negativity. Our sponsorship commitments have always endorsed the advancement of the deaf, hard of hearing and speech disabled communities that we serve. The community we serve trusts us to do that and we regret that this situation put that trust into question.

For the record, Sprint Relay does not tolerate offensive language, direct or implied discrimination, and/or socially oppressive statements. Rest assured, we will continue to work hard to ensure this unfortunate chain of events never happens again.

Truly yours,

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