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AAHOA Northwest Charity Golf Tournament Raises Over \$100,000

CAMAS, WA, Sep. 4 – AAHOA’s annual Northwest Region Charity Golf Tournament raised over \$100,000 to benefit Make a Wish Oregon, the Doernbecher Children’s Hospital Foundation, and Businesses Ending Slavery and Trafficking (BEST). This year’s tournament drew participants from across the northwest and exceeded previous tournaments in the amount raised for charity.

“I’m proud that so many AAHOA members and industry partners came out to support such worthy causes,” said AAHOA Chairman Hitesh (HP) Patel. “This year’s tournament was a huge success. AAHOA’s local members came together and organized such a great event. It is indicative of the generosity that is the bedrock of the hospitality industry.”

Make A Wish Oregon works to grant life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. The Doernbecher Children’s Hospital Foundation seeks to expand the range of services available to children, accelerate new cures for children’s diseases, and train the next generation of pediatric specialists. BEST promotes education and awareness of human trafficking prevention and helps businesses play an active role in combatting the exploitation of society’s most vulnerable people.

At the event, AAHOA and BEST announced an expanded partnership that will see more hoteliers and state lodging associations gaining access to BEST training in human trafficking awareness and prevention.

AAHOA President and CEO Chip Rogers said, “Our annual Northwest Charity Golf Tournament serves as a reminder of how our industry can work together to help promote awareness of and raise money for these causes. The investments we make in charities such as these can make a difference in the lives of many people.”

Over the past decade, the annual AAHOA Northwest Region Charity Golf Tournament has raised over \$400,000. It is one of four annual charity tournaments held by AAHOA across the country.

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