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Sara Evans and Jay Barker Present \$25,000 to Children's Hospital of Alabama
Couple volunteered time and talents during 2010 Regions Charity Classic

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (Nov. 30, 2010) – Country music star, Sara Evans; along with her husband, sports commentator, retired professional football player, and former University of Alabama quarterback, Jay Barker; today presented a \$25,000 check to the Children's Hospital of Alabama.

Evans and Barker volunteered their time and talents to support the 2010 Regions Charity Classic golf tournament, held May 12-16. In lieu of accepting appearance fees, the couple asked that the funds instead be donated to Children's Hospital of Alabama, the primary charitable beneficiary of the 2010 Regions Charity Classic and the upcoming 2011 Regions Tradition golf tournament. Evans and Barker live in the greater Birmingham area and have seven children.

“As parents and members of the Birmingham community, Jay and I have seen first-hand the difference that Children's Hospital makes in the lives of families throughout Alabama,” said Evans. “We are humbled by the opportunity to play a small role in supporting this outstanding organization.”

“For many years I've had the opportunity to be involved in the Regions Charity Classic, which has supported local non-profits for nearly 20 years,” continued Barker. “Sara and I were excited to hear that this year's tournament would benefit Children's Hospital and we are grateful for the opportunity to give something back to an organization that has helped so many children in our state.”

As Alabama's only hospital dedicated solely to the care and treatment of children, the Children's Hospital of Alabama is one of the 10 busiest pediatric medical centers in the United States. Children from every county in the state and beyond make nearly 700,000 visits to the hospital every year for inpatient and outpatient treatment.

“Sara Evans and Jay Barker are good friends of Children's Hospital and we are grateful for the support they have shown our patients and their families through their time, talent and generosity,” said Mike Warren, CEO of Children's Hospital. “Like Sara and Jay, our friends at Regions continue to support our efforts to care for the ill and injured kids who come to us for care and treatment from all across Alabama. We are proud and appreciative of these ongoing partnerships and look forward to their future growth through the Regions Tradition.”

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Title sponsor Regions Financial designated Children's Hospital of Alabama the primary charitable beneficiary of the 2010 Regions Charity Classic as well as the upcoming Regions Tradition.

"Like Regions, Children's Hospital has served the people of Alabama for more than 100 years and we share a common goal, to make life better in the communities we serve," said Bill Horton, Regions North Central Alabama area president. "Because of the support of individuals like Jay and Sara Barker, the tournament has raised more than \$11 million for charity over the past 19 years. As title sponsor of the 2011 Regions Tradition, we are proud to bring a Champions Tour Major to Alabama for the first time, while continuing to support the children and families across the state who rely on Children's Hospital of Alabama."

The Regions Tradition, the first of five major championships on the Champions Tour, will be played at Shoal Creek May 2-8, 2011.

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About Children's Hospital of Alabama

The Children's Hospital of Alabama is the only hospital in the state dedicated solely to the care and treatment of children and one of the 10 busiest pediatric medical centers in the U.S. One of only about 45 freestanding acute care hospitals of its kind in the nation, Children's Hospital is home to Alabama's only Level I pediatric trauma center. Children's campus includes the largest pediatric burn center in the Southeast, one of the largest pediatric outpatient centers in the country and a leading pediatric hematology/oncology center and bone marrow transplant program. Although Children's is the primary site for all pediatric educational programs and patient care activities within the UAB Medical Center, Children's Hospital is a private, not-for-profit hospital governed by a volunteer board of trustees. Children's will celebrate its centennial anniversary in 2011. Children's experiences an excess of 600,000 outpatient and 14,000 inpatient visits each year.

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About Sara Evans

Multi-platinum RCA recording artist Sara Evans has been honored with numerous accolades, among them the 2006 Academy of Country Music's Female Vocalist of the Year and the Country Music Association's Video of the Year for "Born to Fly." She has been named one of *People Magazine's* "50 Most Beautiful People" and won the hearts of television viewers as the first-ever country star to compete in ABC's *Dancing with the Stars*. She enjoys a prolific recording career with over 5 million records sold and 4 chart topping No. 1 Country singles including the self penned "Born to Fly." 2010 marks the release of Evan's first novel, *The Sweet By and By*, the first in a new four-book series published by Thomas Nelson. Evans recently won a Dove Award and is currently writing and recording for a new country CD scheduled for release in early 2011. The first single, "A Little Bit Stronger," was releases in September 2010.

About Jay Barker

Jay Barker is a former professional American football quarterback and a current Birmingham radio personality. Barker played college football at the University of Alabama under head coach Gene Stallings. In the final game of the 1992 season, Barker led the Crimson Tide to a National Championship by defeating the No.1 Miami Hurricanes in the 1993 Sugar Bowl. In the 1994 season, Barker won the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award and finished fifth in the voting for the Heisman Trophy. Barker was drafted in the 1995 NFL Draft by the Green Bay Packers. During his NFL career he also played for the New England Patriots and the Carolina Panthers. In 1998, the Toronto Argonauts signed Barker, bringing him to the Canadian Football League. After three seasons with the Argonauts, Barker left to join the Birmingham Thunderbolts in the XFL. Barker is currently an analyst for ESPN Radio and an on-air personality for WJOX in Birmingham.

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