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Merchant Services Helps Teen Enjoy Adventures in Paradise!

Fifteen-year-old Brian has often heard stories about his friends' great summer vacations to the Hawaiian Islands and he found his friends' island adventures so intriguing that he decided his most heartfelt wish was to experience the magic of the islands for himself.

Merchant Services was pleased to partner with Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Orange County and the Inland Empire to help make Brian's wish for an exciting adventure to the Hawaiian Islands come true.

As soon as Brian and his family arrived to Hawaii's big island of Oahu, they were greeted with leis and much aloha and they knew this was going to be no ordinary vacation. Over the next few days, Brian explored the island with his family and was amazed at the beauty of the lush surroundings. When he was not exploring the island, he was at the beach where he learned how to surf at one of the most famous beaches in Hawaii. By the end of his surf lessons, he was ready to surf with some of the locals.

Of course, Brian's trip would not be complete without a trip to the crystal clear waters of Hanauma Bay where he was able to go snorkeling and see all the colorful tropical fish he had seen only in pictures.

The memories Brian made with his family are a permanent reminder of the joy life promises. His trip to Hawaii brought peace for the moment and the memories continue to provide him with hope for the future.

"We are proud to support Make-A-Wish® with providing these special memories for young people and their families enduring the many challenges of living with a life-threatening illness," shared Vice President of Merchant Services Nathan Jurczyk.

About Merchant Services

Founded in 1995, Merchant Services is a leading provider of e-commerce solutions to businesses throughout the United States. Recognized in 2009 and 2010 by Inc. Magazine as one of *The 5000 Fastest Growing Privately-Held Companies in the U.S.*, Merchant Services provides sound, reliable and cost-effective bankcard and e-commerce support to tens of thousands of business partners nationwide.

About the Make-A-Wish Foundation®

Since 1980, the Make-A-Wish Foundation® has enriched the lives of children with life-threatening medical conditions through its wish-granting work. Since its beginning, the organization has reached more than 174,000 children around the world. The Foundation's mission reflects the life-changing impact that a Make-A-Wish® experience has on children, families, and entire communities. To learn more about the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Orange County and the Inland Empire please visit www.wishocie.org.