

## **Merchant Services of Irvine Supports Boys Wish to Cruise With Favorite TV Characters**

December 16, 2011; Irvine, CA – Merchant Services, as part of their ongoing dedication to partnering with the Make-A-Wish Foundation®, recently helped a boy from Fontana, California go on a Nickelodeon Cruise with his family.

Andres is a young boy from Fontana who loves making people laugh, watching his favorite shows on Nickelodeon and spending time with his brothers. When the Make-A-Wish Foundation asked him what he wanted to do for his special wish, he knew he wanted to go on a Nickelodeon Cruise.

“The Make-A-Wish Foundation helps children with life threatening medical conditions experience things they might not normally get to because to their illness, financial challenges, or other circumstances,” said Senior Vice President of Merchant Services Bob Parisi, “and the experience doesn’t just happen for the child with the illness, Make-A-Wish makes it possible for the whole family to be involved. It’s something they can look forward to and enjoy together.”

Thanks to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and the support of Merchant Services, Andres and his family were able to spend time together on the cruise laughing, playing and having fun - which provided a much needed break from their normal routine of hospitals and doctors visits.

Merchant Services was pleased to partner with Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Orange County and the Inland Empire to help make Andres’ wish come true.

### **About Merchant Services**

Founded in 1995, Merchant Services, located in Irvine, California, 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 193,000 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](http://www.wishocie.org).

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