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Merchant Services Helps Young Fan Meet the Jonas Brothers

As the end of summer nears Merchant Services; in partnership wish the Make-a-Wish Foundation® helped to make one little girls days a little brighter. The ninth wish that Merchant Services has sponsored this year helped one girl meet her favorite band, the Jonas Brothers.

Melody is a fun-loving 11-year-old who absolutely adores the Jonas Brothers. Although she is living with a kidney tumor, she has dreams of one day becoming a world-famous rock star just like her musical idols. She even sings along to their music with her best friend every time they get together. When the time came to meet with her wish granters, Melody knew exactly what her wish would be; to meet her idols, the Jonas Brothers!

After several weeks of planning, Melody, her parents, and her best friend flew to Texas to meet the Jonas Brothers at one of their tour stops. Melody was thrilled and listened to every Jonas Brothers song that she could during her flight. After arriving in Dallas, Melody checked in to her hotel and prepared for her big day meeting the platinum-selling boy band.

The next day, Melody hopped into a limo and make her way to the concert. After receiving backstage passes, Melody watched the entire concert from the side of the stage - enjoying every minute of it! When the concert came to a close, Melody was escorted backstage where her special meet and greet took place. Melody got to spend time with each of the band's members and as a memento she was presented with a drum cymbal autographed by all three Jonas Brothers!

Melody's meeting with the Jonas Brothers was truly a unique experience that she will always remember. With inspiration from meeting her idols, Melody is ready to become the world's next great rock star! The Merchant Services family is proud and honored to support the Make-A-Wish Foundation® in making Melody's wish of meeting the Jonas Brothers come true. "It is truly an honor for us to be able to help make the wishes of these inspirational young people a reality. It makes us proud to work for a company with such strong corporate values." noted Nathan Jurczyk, Merchant Services Vice President of Operations.

Merchant Services' corporate culture is grounded in a firm commitment of giving back to the community, and the company stands firm in its commitment to donate a portion of its proceeds to deserving non-profit organizations, including its proud support of the Make-A-Wish Foundation®.

Founded in 1995, Merchant Services is a leading provider of e-commerce solutions to businesses throughout the United States. Recognized in 2009 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.

Since 1980, the Make-A-Wish Foundation® has enriched the lives of children with lifethreatening 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 <u>www.wishocie.org</u>.