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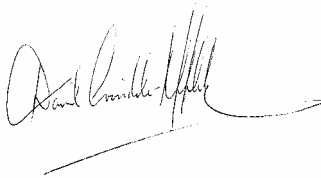
Through my work with Stoke Mandeville Hospital, I accepted a Patronage of the Colin Javens Spinal Injury Trust. I also sit on the Board of Trustees, which oversees the Trust's management, fund-raising, the selection of beneficiaries and the apportionment of all donated funds for the benefit of the spinally injured.

The founding partners of Colin's Trust are Stoke Mandeville, Jersey's Ashburton Group, Cranfield University & School of Management, International Spinal Research and the Julia and Derek Breed Foundation. Prominent supporters are Morne du Plessis's Players Fund in Cape Town and Motivation, a UK based charity providing equipment and training to disabled people in the developing world. All of these are similarly inspired by Colin's sheer dedication to goodwill to others and each has willingly pledged voluntary resources to his cause.

Such has been the warmth and emotion with which Colin's effort has been received that the costs of his inspirational expedition, a first for someone of his degree of disability, have been underwritten – and there are pledges to match donations on a £ for £ basis, from now until the total amount raised reaches £500,000. Donors can be assured that every penny raised will go directly to the benefit of the spinally injured.

I am humbled by these unselfish initiatives and Colin's inspiration and pleased to be part of his efforts. As one of the most worthy causes I have seen, I am delighted to commend it to anyone who feels, as I do, that the spinally injured deserve more.

Yours sincerely



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