ALEX'S GREAT STATE RACE

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Alex’s Great State Race is a tradition that reflects the Michigan State University and University of Michigan’s rivalry in a new light; both institutions working together to bring awareness to a worthy cause that benefits both universities and addresses the fundamental reason they exist: To make quality education accessible to all.

Alex Powell was a high school senior, a dedicated student, an enthusiastic athlete, and a natural leader. As Alex contemplated his acceptance at MSU, a rare, aggressive cancer was growing inside of him. Despite his cancer diagnosis, Alex was determined to fully participate in his Spartan experience. Thanks to the tools at MSU’s RCPD, with collaborative support from U-M’s SSD, Alex achieved his goal of becoming a Spartan while receiving cancer treatment from Michigan Medicine in Ann Arbor. He shared the ultimate dream that lives inside each of us: to create a legacy and to leave the world in better shape than we found it. That legacy lives on through Alex’s Great State Race.

On Friday, November 15th, an elite team of Army ROTC Cadets from both U-M and MSU will come together at MSU’s Demonstration Hall near the iconic “Sparty” statue in East Lansing. Presented with the game ball, the Army ROTC cadets will run with it across 64 miles of Michigan back roads to finish at U-M’s famous Diag. Alex’s passion for MSU, joy in athletics, and zest for life will be celebrated along the way.

Sponsorship in celebration of this symbolic partnership between two elite educational institutions will support the work of:

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MSU’s Alex Powell Spartan Experience Leadership Endowment enhances Spartan experiences for families facing challenges around disabilities, with sensitivity toward those fighting cancer.

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U-M’s SSD Alex Powell Fund provides grants toward the purchase of needed adaptive equipment, technologies, tutoring services, and student professional development.

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