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LEAVE A LEGACY: In Your Will or Living Trust

One of the easiest and most popular ways to make a future impact at **Ronald McDonald House Charities of Maine** is to include a charitable bequest in your will or living trust. A bequest allows you to leave a legacy of support for sick children and their families without affecting your cash flow today. With a bequest, you can give a percentage of your estate, so that your gift will remain proportionate to the size of your estate, or you can give a certain amount of cash, securities or property. Either way, your gift allows you to retain full control of your assets now, while ensuring that RMHC Maine will continue to give strength and support to families far into the future.

WHY TO BEQUEST

1) Ease. A few sentences in your will or living trust will complete the gift. **2) Revocable.** Until your will or trust goes into effect, you are free to alter your plans. **3) Versatile.** You can give a specific item, an amount of money, a gift contingent upon certain events or a percentage of your estate.

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STEPS TO MAKING YOUR BEQUEST

- 1)** Determine whether you'd like to make a gift of a specific amount or leave a percentage of your estate, and whether you would like to direct your gift to a specific program or leave your gift unrestricted, allowing it to be used for our most pressing needs.
- 2)** Take our bequest language to your estate attorney to include in your will or living trust.

OUR BEQUEST LANGUAGE: I, [your name], of [city, state ZIP], give, devise and bequeath to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Maine, Inc., tax ID: 01-0448263, [include specific written \$ amount or description of property or percentage of the estate] for its unrestricted use and purpose.

- 3)** Contact **Sterlynn Marx** to inform us of your gift so we can thank you and ensure your bequest will be fulfilled in a manner you intend.

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