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Houston Texans Trade the Pigskin for Baseball Bats at Reliant Energy's Home Run Derby
Event Raises More Than \$30,000 for Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston

HOUSTON - It was home runs not touchdowns that helped Houston Texans football players score big for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston at Reliant Energy's Home Run Derby. The youth development organization received a \$31,700 donation from Reliant based on the batting skills of the players during the event at Minute Maid Park.

"Supporting great organizations like Boys & Girls Clubs helps ensure that young people have what they need to go the distance in their education, careers and in life," said Jason Few, President of Reliant Energy. "Our commitment to community includes dedicating time and resources to youth education programs."

"Generous donations from companies like Reliant Energy help us maintain and provide the best after-school programs and activities for our youth," said Angela Hodson, President and CEO, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston. "Reliant's donation will support us and our mission to inspire and enable youth, especially those youngsters who need us most."

"We're proud to partner with Reliant Energy and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston to make a positive impact on our community," said Jamey Rootes, President of the Houston Texans. "We support the Boys & Girls Clubs, our youth and our communities by giving back through this event and numerous other programs."

In addition to scoring bucks for hitting balls out of the park, 11 targets were placed around the park to give the players a chance to raise \$1,000, \$2,500, \$5,000 and \$10,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs.

Throughout the baseball season Reliant donates \$250 to the Boys & Girls Clubs for each home run hit in Minute Maid Park by an Astros player through the Reliant Energy Power BlastSM Program. Since its inception in 2005, the Power Blast Program, has raised more than \$180,000 for the clubs and its after-school initiatives.

About 150 Boys & Girls youth attended the derby to cheer on the bat-swinging Texans players, including Matt Schaub, Eric Winston, Chris Myers, Dan Orlovsky, André Davis, Zac Diles, David Anderson, James Casey, Dominique Barber and Duane Brown.

Astros player Lance Berkman spoke to the youngsters about focusing on their goals and schoolwork during a hot dog and hamburger dinner, courtesy of Reliant Energy, before they settled in to watch the Astros take on the Arizona Diamondbacks that evening.

About Reliant Energy:

Reliant Energy provides electricity and energy services to approximately 1.6 million retail customers—including homes, small and large businesses, manufacturing facilities, government entities and institutions across Texas. As part of NRG Energy (NYSE: NRG), Reliant Energy is backed by one of the nation's largest power producers. NRG owns and operates more than 24,000 megawatts of generation capacity, including more than 11,000 megawatts of capacity in Texas. For more information about Reliant Energy products and services, visit www.reliant.com.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston:

Since 1952, we have been providing a Positive Place for Kids where they can spend time after school and during the summer. Our Clubs are for kids ages 7-17 and our fee is \$5.00 a year (subject to change, please check with your local Club). We have 10 locations in the Greater Houston areas (Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris and Waller county). Through the assistance of donations from corporations, foundations, government grants and people like you, we are able to offer our kids a fun place to hang out with friends, enjoy a meal, participate in sports leagues, get help with their homework, learn computer skills, art skills and much more. All Boys & Girls Club programs are based on a youth development strategy that builds self-confidence and self-esteem, and fosters a sense a belonging, competence, usefulness and influence.

About the Houston Texans Foundation:

The Houston Texans Foundation was established in November 2001 as an integral part of the Houston Texans' vision to be the most community-connected professional sports team in the world. It is committed to improving the lives of the next generation of Texans by utilizing strategic resources in order to make a measurable community impact among Houston's youth. The Houston Texans Foundation has partnered with the YMCA to build the Houston Texans YMCA, the first ever YMCA center named after a professional sports team. Through this exciting new partnership the Houston Texans Foundation will be able to continue to administer programs that promote leadership, integrity and character.

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