[Date]

Dear [Name of Family or Friend],

As you know, our son, Sam, was diagnosed with Friedreich’s ataxia (FA) in August 2018. FA is a genetic, progressive neuromuscular disease. People with FA experience issues with balance and coordination of movement that leads to life-altering loss of mobility. Other common symptoms can include fatigue, serious heart conditions, scoliosis, and diabetes. FA is life-shortening and affects an estimated 5,000 individuals in the United States and 15,000 worldwide.

Sam has not let having FA define him. At 14 years old, Sam began a daily regimen of exercising and eating healthy. As his FA progressed it became more and more difficult for him to exercise on his own. Even though he was reluctant to accept help from others, his determination has not let him quit. Like Sam, we will not quit in raising awareness and much needed funds to continue research to find treatments and a cure for FA.

We are asking you to support our efforts by making a donation to the Friedreich’s Ataxia Research Alliance (FARA). FARA is a non-profit organization dedicated to the pursuit of scientific research leading to treatments and a cure for FA. FARA’s efforts have led to major breakthroughs in the fight against FA, bringing hope and confidence to families living with FA. Supporting FARA not only advances FA research but may also provide insights for other conditions both rare and common.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration. For further information about FARA, please visit cureFA.org or contact the office at 484-879-6160 or info@cureFA.org.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Phone Number]

[Your Email]

[Family Pictures]