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Greetings to all,

It is with both a heavy heart and an emotional mind that I prepare this letter of request.

Cpl. Robert Shickle of the Winchester Police Department was diagnosed with cancer in the early spring of 2009. Robert is a nine year veteran of the police department and has over eleven years of experience in law enforcement. Robert currently serves as an officer assigned to the Community Response Team and has done so for approximately eight months. Robert is a dedicated law enforcement professional and an even more dedicated husband, father and son. Robert is strongly supported in his endeavors by a loving family which consists of his wife Megan, his three children Peyton, Isabelle and Langdon, his mother and father, Terry and Deborah Shickle and his mother in-law Freda Yoder and father-in law Jan Yoder.

Robert was diagnosed in the spring of 2009 with cancer in his mouth. Robert was taken to Baltimore Maryland where surgery was performed and the tumors were removed. Robert was given extensive chemotherapy and radiation treatments which prolonged his recovery and return to everyday activities. In the winter of 2009 and early 2010, Robert began his recovery and even eventually returned to work on a light duty status helping in and around the office as he was able. Robert was looking forward to a full recovery and returning to work in a normal capacity in or around the late spring of 2010. In March of 2010, Robert received the devastating news that there were more tumors found in and around the same area of his mouth and he would require yet another surgery and further treatment.

While this news is both devastating and heartbreaking, we as family, friends and co-workers have to remain focused and steadfast on the tasks which lay ahead. Robert will again be required to undergo treatments which will prevent his return to work and enjoyment of everyday activities for an unknown period of time. With his current situation weighing heavily on both Robert and his family, I feel that everything else can be made a little easier by those of us who are in a position to help Robert and his family with the smaller comforts such as not worrying about finances and medical bills etc. I am preparing this letter as a request for any help the friends and co-workers of Robert

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and his family can give to show support to the Shickle family and ease the burdens for which they are about to undergo.

Several dedicated and heroic individuals from behind the scenes have on their own begun to prepare a fundraiser for the Shickle family and are asking for help from you. There will be a spaghetti dinner and auction held on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at the Winchester Moose Lodge located on Cork Street; with dinner being served from 4pm-8pm and auction starting at 7pm. Tickets will be sold in advance for this fundraiser and ALL PROCEEDS will go to support the Shickle family in their time of need. We are asking for any support you or your company can provide (ex. Products and/or monetary donations) to assist us with this fundraiser and help make it a success for the Shickle family.

It is with great sincerity that I say,
Thank You in advance.

Lt. W.K. (Wally) Stotlemeyer
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Anyone wanting to purchase tickets, participate or make donations can do so by contacting the below individuals.

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