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No Tricks, Just Treats for Patients at Sturdy Health Courtesy of The Joe Andruzzi Foundation

Joe Andruzzi and JAF staff distributed candy and treats to patients & staff on Halloween

North Attleboro, MA - (October 31, 2023) – The <u>Joe Andruzzi Foundation (JAF)</u>, providing help, hope, and a reason to smile for New England cancer patients and their families through financial support when it is needed most, hosted a Halloween (Up)Beat event on Tuesday, October 31st at <u>Sturdy Health</u>, an integrated health system providing hospital-based, emergency and urgency care in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Former New England Patriot and three-time Super Bowl Champion **Joe Andruzzi** and representatives from The Joe Andruzzi Foundation dressed up as Marvel superheroes while visiting the oncology unit to hand out candy and other surprises. Andruzzi went as Captain America, sharing treats and laughs with patients and staff.

"It was so heartwarming visiting the patients and staff at Sturdy Health," said Joe Andruzzi, Chief Engagement Officer, Joe Andruzzi Foundation. "Through my personal experience with cancer, some days are much tougher than others, and we hope we were able to brighten up everyone's Halloween, like their smiles brightened ours."

Since its founding in 2008, the JAF has provided more than \$10 million to patients and families across New England. In 2022, more than \$1.25 million was distributed in direct assistance to help 4,580 individuals with financial assistance to pay for housing, transportation, utilities, food, insurance, and other household expenses.

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About The Joe Andruzzi Foundation:

The Joe Andruzzi Foundation is committed to providing help, hope, and a reason to smile, for New England cancer patients and their families by contributing financial support when it is needed most. Founded in 2008 by former New England Patriots three-time Super Bowl Champion offensive guard Joe Andruzzi and his wife Jen, the Joe Andruzzi Foundation grew out of Joe's own successful battle with cancer and the couple's ongoing work with young cancer patients. In 2007, Joe's football career abruptly ended when he was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Burkitt's lymphoma. Disease-free less than a year later, Joe and Jen chose to dedicate their lives towards solving the financial distress a cancer diagnosis can cause in the lives of patients and families. For more information, or to make a donation, please visit: joeandruzzifoundation.org or Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram pages.