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The Countdown Begins: _____ Resident Prepares for July 30th *Run to Home Base* presented by Raytheon Technologies in Support of Veterans & Families
This 9k/5k run/walk is a fundraiser, directly benefiting Home Base, a Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Program

BOSTON, MA – On Saturday, July 30th, _____ from _____ will participate in the 13th annual *Run to Home Base Presented by Raytheon Technologies*. The event raises funds for Home Base, a partnership of the Red Sox Foundation and the Massachusetts General Hospital, dedicated to healing the invisible wounds for Veterans of all eras, Service Members, Military Families and Families of the Fallen through world-class clinical care, wellness, education and research.

_____ is **running / walking** in honor of _____.

“Insert participant quote”

In its 13th year, the *Run to Home Base Presented by Raytheon Technologies* has brought together participants from across the world. In 2021, 1,666 runners and walkers – 1,219 in-person and 447 virtually from 32 states and 4 countries – participated, including 490 Veterans/Active Service Members, 183 military spouses and family members, and 53 family members of a fallen Service Member.

“The Run to Home Base is such a meaningful event,” says Brigadier General (ret.) Jack Hammond, Executive Director, Home Base. “The funds raised at this event sustains Home Base’s ability to offer innovative, world-class mental health care to Military Families on a local and national level—at no cost to them. Participating in the *Run to Home Base Presented by Raytheon Technologies* is a great way to give back to those who have served our country and propel our efforts to heal the invisible wounds and stem the epidemic of Veteran suicide.”

Funds from the *Run to Home Base presented by Raytheon Technologies* have directly funded life-saving clinical programs for Veterans and their Families. The care provided by Home Base is needed now more than ever as the extended COVID crisis continues to further impact the wellbeing of our Veterans,

Service Members, and their Families. **Military suicides have increased 20% since the onset of the pandemic, with nearly 20 Veterans losing their lives to suicide each day.**

To date, _____ has raised nearly \$_____. To donate to their fundraising page, visit _____.

Registration and event information for the 2022 *Run to Home Base Presented by Raytheon Technologies* is available at runtohomebase.org. For more information about corporate sponsorships, please contact Home Base's Director of Development, Dan Arkins, at darkins@mgh.harvard.edu or (617) 724-5344.

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About Home Base: Home Base, a Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Program, is dedicated to healing the invisible wounds for Veterans of all eras, Service Members, Military Families and Families of the Fallen through world-class clinical care, wellness, education and research. As a National Center of Excellence, Home Base operates the first and largest private-sector clinic in the nation dedicated to delivering life-saving clinical care and support for the treatment of the invisible wounds to include post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, anxiety, depression, co-occurring substance use disorder, family relationship challenges and other issues associated with military service. Since its inception, Home Base has provided care and support to more than 30,000 Veterans and Family Members and trained more than 80,000 clinicians, educators, first responders and community members – all at no cost. Headquartered in the Charlestown Navy Yard in Boston, MA with a satellite location in Southwest Florida, Home Base is a nonprofit organization that operates predominantly on federal, state and local funding; foundation grants; and donations from individuals and corporations of a grateful nation. For more information please visit www.homebase.org.

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