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## **THE DREAM INSTITUTE CO-FOUNDERS VISIT SENATOR BOB DOLE**

*Senator Bob Dole supports the DREAM Institute initiatives and states "it must start somewhere"*

**Tulsa, OK, The DREAM (Disability, Resources, Educational Advocacy, Motivation) Institute** co-founders, Kristy Long and Rodney Pratz met Senator Bob Dole in his Washington, D.C. office of Alston & Bird, LLP. An unsolicited donation was given to The DREAM Institute by Senator Dole for a scholarship for a student with a physical or learning disability who wants to attend a community college. The DREAM Institute has established a scholarship endowment fund named the Senator Bob Dole Honorary Scholar Award.

Ms. Long stated it was a "dream of a lifetime to meet someone as inspirational as Senator Bob Dole, he exemplifies the courage and never give up attitude I personally admire. I will never forget his generosity."

"I was speechless and humbled when he embraced us like he did, having the opportunity of a life time to visit with him encouraged me to continue doing what we have dedicated a major part of our life to helping students with disabilities to overcome. Senator Dole has taken the DREAM Institute to a new level. It will be considered a milestone in DREAM Institute History," said Rodney Pratz.

Senator Dole is featured in Pratz's book, "*Amazing Achievers, Finding Your Purpose While Overcoming Adversities*". Pratz worked with Senator Dole and his staff to compile his story of his life and his never give up attitude.

The DREAM Institute was founded by Kristy Long and Rodney Pratz. They established this institute to assist and increase the educational success of students with disabilities. Ms. Long has suffered with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis all her life and has achieved her higher educational goals. Mr. Pratz was diagnosed with Dyslexia and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) at a very young age and graduated with a degree in International Business.

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