THE TESSA BEAUCHAMP SPIRIT AWARD

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Tessa Beauchamp was a remarkable young lady who overcame severe burns as a toddler and then fought cancer as a teenager. Tessa's strength and sense of hope helped her face these adversities. The most remarkable trait about Tessa, and what she will be remembered for most at the BCPFF Burn Camp, was her unwavering spirit. No matter how impossible the obstacles appeared to be Tessa was determined to triumph. Tessa led by example and was an exemplary role model to her peers as well as younger campers.

Tessa was someone who was able to get along with everyone, demonstrated empathy and kindness and was always willing to participate in camp activities. Tessa's friends and family describe her as compassionate, hard working with high standards, resilient, fearless, brave and selfless. Tessa was a great friend and she loved to laugh.

Tessa lives in our hearts now; her spirit will always be with us at the BCPFF Burn Camp. She was a source of inspiration to us all and will inspire many others to come. The Tessa Beauchamp Spirit Award was created to honor her tremendous spirit. It will be awarded to the camper who exhibits the values that she believed in, and lived by, throughout her life.

Purpose and Criteria:

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To recognize a camper at the BCPFF Burn Camp who embodies the qualities and values that characterized Tessa Beauchamp.

Criteria:

Each year we plan to give this award to the camper who (in the previous year) showed that same grit and determination and who showed the most courage and improvement over the week.

- has overcome adversity
- joins in and encourages others to do so (demonstrates leadership)
- shows determination
- demonstrates improvement and overcomes obstacles
- shows spirit

Expectations:

- 1. Eligible candidates must be campers/burn survivors
- 2. The successful candidate will be given a copy of their nomination, a certificate and will have their name inscribed on a plaque which will be hung at Burn Camp in July and then at the Burn Fund office the remainder of the year.
- 3. The Selection process will be managed by the Burn Camp Committee
- 4. The process will be as follows:
 - Cabin reps will submit nomination forms to a Camp Committee member
 - The successful applicant will be chosen at the Burn Camp debriefing by consensus of all counselors, committee members and support staff.
- 5. The award will be presented at Burn Camp Kickoff to the camper selected from the previous year.
- 6. The creation of the Tessa Beauchamp Spirit Award will be announced at the 2012 Burn Camp Kickoff and will first be awarded to a camper in 2013.

Nomination Process:

- 1. Complete nomination form by the end of camp.
- 2. Cabin reps will do this with input from others.

- 3. All nominees will receive a letter acknowledging their nomination and an invitation to attend the Award presentation.
- 4. Submit to Camp Committee member.

Deadline for submission: Last day of camp

Nomination Form

Do you know of someone who embodies the spirit of determination, has overcome adversity and has shown great effort this week at camp?

Nominee:		
Cabin Rep:		

Description of why this person's name has been put forward(refer to criteria):