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Huntington Makes It Easier to Support Pelotonia

Huntington Bank customers can now donate to fundraiser through online bill pay

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- In another bankwide effort to support the Pelotonia bike tour for cancer research, Huntington (Nasdaq: HBAN; www.huntington.com) has created a way for consumers to donate to the cure for cancer through Huntington online bill payment.

As the major funding sponsor, Huntington has already committed \$2.5 million over five years to Pelotonia and committed to recruiting 1,000 riders for the August 20-22 bike tour. One hundred percent of the money raised goes to The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center – James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute.

"After setting an aggressive goal to build as big a team of participants as possible, we recognized that providing an easy and convenient way for consumers to support fundraising efforts represented the next logical step," said Dan Benhase, senior executive vice president and private financial group director. "Online bill payment donations to Pelotonia enable Huntington customers to pay a little at a time or in one donation to make a big impact on the fight against cancer at The James-- one of the nation's leading cancer research institutions."

Those who want to donate have two choices. They can visit www.Huntington.com and select the "Huntington + Pelotonia + You" button that will lead them to donation options. If they are a Huntington customer who takes advantage of the bank's free online bill pay service, they can use the "Pay a company" function and set up payee name (Pelotonia) and account number (Team Huntington).

After selecting the payee address that automatically appears, customers will be prompted to enter the Pelotonia headquarters phone number as payee phone – (614) 221-6100. Then, customers simply select their funding account for payment and can enter the amount they wish to give – exactly as they have learned with paying any other expense with Huntington online bill pay.

"Because of Huntington's deep commitment to supporting our local communities, we wanted to engage others in the community in this worthwhile initiative that will help fight cancer here in Columbus and the Midwest, and also throughout the nation and the world," said Benhase who is also riding. "We encourage everyone to join us in backing the Pelotonia cause."

Huntington customers must have free online banking access to use complimentary online bill pay service. Customers seeking assistance may call 1-877-932-BANK (2265) for guidance.

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