

# COMMITMENT TO GREATNESS AWARDS SILVER MEDAL WINNER: **DARIUS RASO**

OUR SECOND PLACE COMMITMENT TO GREATNESS AWARDS WINNER IS 9 YEAR-OLD VAUGHAN VIKINGS PLAYER, **DARIUS RASO**.

ALTHOUGH HE IS ONLY 9, DARIUS HAS ENCOUNTERED SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES- NAMELY, BEING DIAGNOSED WITH LEUKEMIA AT AGE 5.

THROUGHOUT HIS JOURNEY, DARIUS TURNED TO BASEBALL, AS HE SAID IT **"ALLOWED ME TO OVERCOME FEELING ALONE."**

DESPITE GOING THROUGH VARIOUS TREATMENTS AND PROCEDURES, HE NEVER LET CANCER STOP HIM FROM PLAYING BALL. DARIUS SAID **"THERE WERE SOME TIMES I WOULD BE PUT TO SLEEP FOR TREATMENT AND THEN BE ON A BASEBALL FIELD THAT DAY OR THE NEXT WITH MY TEAM."**

DARIUS HAS OVERCAME GREAT BARRIERS IN THE NAME OF THE GAME. HE SAYS **"I HAVE MADE MY PARENTS, FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND DOCTORS PROUD,"** AND YOU'VE MADE ALL OF US HERE AT NOTHERS PROUD TOO!