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Welcome from Hospital Leadership



Timothy J. Babineau, MD

President and Chief Executive Officer, Lifespan
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and Hasbro Children's Hospital

When the unexpected happens and a child you love is sick or injured, panicked thoughts rush through your mind and you scramble to find the best medical care right away. In Rhode Island and southeastern New England, there is one clear choice: *Hasbro Children's Hospital*. We treat more than 95 percent of the region's children who need hospital care each year, and our specialists are also world-class educators and researchers.

On the cover of this issue of *All for One* is two-year-old Avery Cicchitelli, a patient in our highly regarded Children's Rehabilitation Center. Avery's heartwarming story on page 4 highlights not only our advanced medical care but also the special bond between the patient and caregivers at the heart of our "All for One" promise that remains central to everything we do.

There's much more to read about in these pages, and it all culminates in our 2012 honor roll of donors. It is your generosity that drives every interaction and innovation at the hospital, and you have my enduring gratitude for all your contributions.

Thank you so much for being part of our donor family.



Robert B. Klein, MD
Pediatrician-in-Chief and
Sylvia Kay Hassenfeld
Professor of Pediatrics

As physicians, we know that every child presents unique medical diagnoses, treatments, and outcomes. But we also know that the anxiety and worry that accompany having a child in the hospital are shared by nearly every family who comes through our doors. That is why we do absolutely everything within our power to heal as quickly and painlessly as we can.

Your spring/summer issue of *All for One* takes you into the worlds of two very special patients, each with different sets of challenges, both benefiting from our neurosurgery and rehabilitation programs. In addition, we recognize some of our most dedicated philanthropic partners and spotlight two members of our invaluable Advisory Council. Each one of these efforts relies on your generosity to continue to thrive and grow, and we are grateful for your continued support.

Thank you.

Thomas F. Tracy, Jr., MD
Pediatric Surgeon-in-Chief
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Del Vecchio Family's Decades of Generosity Help Comfort Children during Hospital Visits

Imagine you're six years old, being brought to the emergency room of a children's hospital. You are scared. You know your parents are frightened too. There are a lot of doctors and nurses there. You just want to go home. You want to be anywhere but here.

But out of the corner of your eye, you spot what looks like a bright green field of grass on the waiting room floor. Was that a soccer ball that just rolled by? As you run to get a closer look, you forget the fear that gripped you just moments ago. And just like that, you're engrossed in Hasbro Children's Hospital's new virtual, interactive play system—made possible thanks to the generosity of Anthony and Grace Del Vecchio.

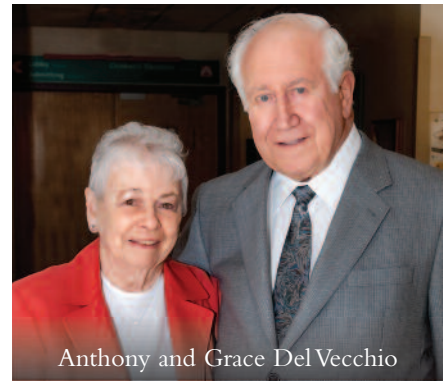
There is little doubt that a hospital can be an anxiety-producing place for children and parents alike. That's why our top priority is to ensure that every child and every family member who walks through our doors has the most comfortable experience possible. Everything is designed with the child's physical and emotional comfort in mind.

Although they have no children of their own, the Del Vecchios have been helping us provide that comfort to children for more than 30 years and since the days when pediatrics was housed in the Potter Building. Shortly after Hasbro Children's Hospital opened, the couple established The Del Vecchio Family Fund to support Child Life Services.

"What attracted us to Child Life Services was seeing first-hand what the program does for children and their families. We wanted to support an area that helps brighten their day," says Anthony. "Through all the years we've been involved, there's not a single person at the hospital who didn't show incredible compassion for the kids they care for."

Our Child Life specialists educate children about their

illness and what to expect during a test or procedure in non-scary ways. They also engage children in play, storytelling, arts and crafts, and music—as well as specialty programs such as pet therapy.



Anthony and Grace Del Vecchio

"No one comes through our doors without a bit of anxiety, so it's important to make the hospital a happy place for kids and help them understand what's going on," says Marianne Cooney, manager of Child Life Services. "The Del Vecchios have been involved since the very beginning and truly understand the importance of what Child Life does. They're extremely dedicated, and everything they do for us is unconditional."

For kids unable to experience the new interactive play system, another gift from the Del Vecchios allowed us to purchase a large-screen TV and DVD system that plays 10 continuous hours of children's movies. The Del Vecchios have also funded Thanksgiving dinners for patients and their families for more than 20 years, where Anthony never misses an opportunity to help serve the meals.

"Having a hospital like Hasbro Children's in Rhode Island is wonderful; it's important that families don't have to go farther than Providence to get the best care available," says Grace. "It's extremely gratifying for us to know we're making a difference. We hope to continue our support long into the future."



Pediatric Rehabilitation and Injured Children Go

Dressed in pink with pigtails flopping, two-year-old Avery Cicchitelli bounds down the corridor, smiling at everyone she sees and peeking in rooms along the way. In this she's a typical two-year-old—in perpetual motion and not wanting to miss a thing.

However, the past year and a half of Avery's life have been anything but typical. She has spent countless hours “playing” with the therapists and physicians at the Children's Rehabilitation Center at Hasbro Children's Hospital.

At five months old in July 2011, Avery was sitting in her grandmother's lap at a baseball game when a foul ball struck the left side of her head. Her family was propelled into a whirlwind of uncertainty as an ambulance rushed her to Hasbro Children's Hospital. They'd been looking forward to watching fireworks that calm, summer evening but instead were bombarded by the clamor of a busy pediatric emergency department.

“We just gave her over to the doctors,” recalls Avery's mother, Alison. “It was all that we could do. They inspired great trust.”

Doctors had to remove a piece of Avery's skull to allow room for her brain to swell and minimize the risk of damage. Avery spent nine days in the pediatric intensive care unit and another week in a hospital unit before she could finally go home.

Since Avery was six months old, she has come to the rehab center twice a week for occupational and physical therapy, as the trauma affected her ability to move the right side of her body especially and the recovery time impacted her overall development. The area of her

brain where she was hit involves the speech center, and doctors were concerned at first that she wouldn't be able to talk. Thanks to work with an early intervention team at home, she is now on par with her peers in speech and has about 100 words, including the names of her older brothers, Sam and Ben.

“Avery is independent and willing to try anything. She has no idea she's any different from other kids. She jumps right in with her brothers,” says Alison.

The therapy team has created individualized activities that appeal to Avery's social and adventurous nature. “They motivate her to try new things, like the slide or the swings in the sensory integration room,” Alison says.

Avery has learned to walk and is starting to color as her grip strengthens. She has also been through two rounds of constraint therapy, where her stronger left limb was put into a cast for a month at a time to improve the use of her right arm.

Sarah Hasbrouck, DPT, a senior therapist, has had the pleasure of watching Avery's progress up close.

“When she first came to us, she couldn't lift her head or move her right side at all. Now she's climbing obstacle courses and holding onto a swing with both hands.”



Each year the Children's Rehabilitation Center cares for more than 10,000 children and teens with illnesses, injuries and disabilities that range from sports or play injuries to complex medical conditions such as cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and cancer. It is widely regarded as the

Center Helps Sick Back to Being Kids Again



premier pediatric rehabilitation clinic in southeastern New England because of its integrated, multidisciplinary approach to care across outpatient, hospital-based and at-home settings. Specialty services include an adaptive equipment clinic, sensory integration therapy, aquatic therapy, serial casting, constraint induced movement therapy, burn care, feeding, handwriting groups and neurological consultations.

Lori LaFrance, PT, the center's clinical manager, says, *"We treat virtually every pediatric diagnosis here. Our goal is to facilitate children participating in life and in the community to the fullest extent. We provide therapeutic interventions, support and encouragement to help them engage in age-appropriate activities so they can feel and function like kids again."*

This scope and flexibility have made all the difference for Avery and her family.

"I can remember wanting her to walk because we weren't sure she would. Now she is even running," Alison says.

And Avery is showing her independence more each day, letting her mom know she's a big girl who doesn't need help during a recent visit to the park. *"Avery pulled her hand away and ran ahead as if to say, 'I've got this.'"* She clearly does.





Hasbro Children's Hospital's Play-Doh Ball

Raises More than \$1 Million



The 2013 gala for Hasbro Children's Hospital on March 9 welcomed more than 800 attendees and broke the million-dollar mark for the second consecutive year. This year's event was titled the "Play-Doh Ball" in recognition of the PLAY-DOH toys from Hasbro, Inc.

"Over the past 19 years Hasbro Children's Hospital has shaped the lives and futures of a generation of children," says Timothy J. Babineau, MD, president and chief executive officer, Lifespan, and president, Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children's Hospital. "Because of the generosity of our donor community who supported this incredible event, we will continue to be a crucial resource for children and families throughout the region."

The festivities included an Alex and Ani raffle, a silent auction and a live auction hosted by Tony Petrarca, chief meteorologist for Eyewitness News WPRI 12. As a special presentation by title sponsor Hasbro, Inc., the evening also included a guest performance by singer-songwriter Kenny Loggins.

The live auction funded the "All for One" Family Assistance Fund to support the countless families

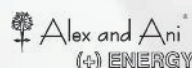
throughout the region who rely on Hasbro Children's Hospital for care and who do not have the means to take care of their basic expenses during a long hospital stay or frequent hospital visits, such as transportation and groceries.

"Hasbro Children's Hospital's 'All for One' commitment to the community means that their knowledge, experience and passion for healing are devoted to each child in their care," says Brian D. Goldner, Hasbro, Inc. president and CEO. "The hospital remains a beacon of hope for local families, and Hasbro, Inc. is honored and delighted to be an integral part of that commitment."

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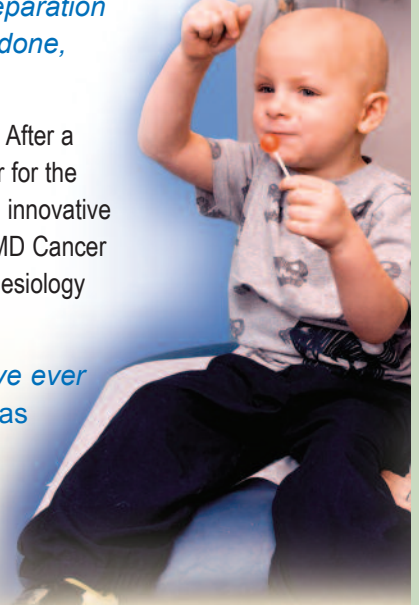
Few words can conjure up more fear for a parent than hearing “Your child has cancer.” Across the country, dozens of families receive this devastating news each day. At Hasbro Children’s Hospital, our pediatric oncology programs ensure that families facing a cancer diagnosis have access to the best physicians and treatments available. But we don’t do it alone. We’re fortunate to have the support of Golf Fights Cancer, a nonprofit volunteer organization that taps into the passion and generosity of golfers to raise funds for cancer-related organizations and families living with the disease. Established in 2004 by Brian Oates and Jay Monahan, Golf Fights Cancer has raised \$300,000 for Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children’s Hospital through its signature event—the Good Guy Invitational.

“Cancer has affected everybody, and it’s never more than one degree of separation before it’s very personal,” says Brian. “When you see the amazing work being done, it really motivates you to get involved with the cause.”

The 2008 invitational raised \$100,000 to help construct our pediatric oncology waiting area. After a few years of supporting other organizations across New England, Brian teamed with Ted Fischer for the October 2012 invitational at Rhode Island Country Club. The event raised \$150,000 to purchase innovative imaging technologies at the hospitals as well as \$50,000 to establish the Richard A. Browning, MD Cancer Research Fund to support pediatric and adult cancer research. Browning, former chief of anesthesiology at Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children’s Hospital, died of cancer in December 2012.

“Hasbro Children’s Hospital has some of the most passionate caregivers I’ve ever met. It’s truly a foundational heart of our community,” says Ted, whose family has supported the hospital since before it opened and whose daughter was treated by Dr. Browning in the late 1990s. “It means a lot to me, my family and all of the ‘Good Guys’ to be able to give back and honor Dr. Browning and the compassion he had for every patient and their families.”

Funds raised will allow the hospitals to enhance their MRI capabilities, providing higher-definition images of brain tumors to support the work of Dr. Albert Telfeian, director of pediatric neurosurgery, and his team (see page 9). Children will be more comfortable in the imaging suite thanks to a multimedia entertainment center. The hospitals will also acquire a high-resolution ultrasound device in the operating room to measure physical changes in the patient during surgery.



36 Men Run for 36 Hours to Support Healing Arts Program

In November 2012, 36 members of the Brown University men’s lacrosse team took part in a 36-hour run around the Brown quad, raising more than \$13,000 to benefit the Healing Arts program at Hasbro Children’s Hospital. The team has supported numerous global causes since 2006 and selected Hasbro Children’s in 2012 because they knew their gift would have an immediate local impact.

“To partner with such an incredible organization that plays a critical role in the lives of the children of southeastern New England is humbling,” says head coach Lars Tiffany. “We only ran for 36 hours; the hospital staff never rest in their relentless mission to provide the greatest care to kids.”

The Healing Arts program provides art experiences—in partnership with community arts organizations, musicians, visual artists, performers, and clowns—to children who come to the hospital for both inpatient and outpatient services.



For One Family, Brain Surgery Requires

Seven-year-old Ian Novacek could no longer walk on his own. His legs had weakened to the point that he needed a walker and a specialized chair at school, and his father had to carry him up and down the stairs of their home in North Providence.

Ian is an achondroplastic dwarf, which means the cartilage at the end of his long bones has been developing improperly since birth. His parents, Michael Novacek and Heather Callanan, expected some mobility challenges and were monitoring Ian's condition with their orthopedist and neurologist, but when Ian began having intense spasms in his legs last year, they took him straight to their orthopedist, Dr. Craig Eberson, chief of pediatric orthopedics at Hasbro Children's Hospital. He sent them directly to Dr. Petra Klinge, their pediatric neurosurgeon.

An MRI revealed that Ian's brain stem and spinal cord were being compressed at the base of his skull by his own growing bones, which led to the weakening in Ian's legs. The spasms were diagnosed as clonus, a neurological condition causing involuntary muscle contractions. While compressions like these are not uncommon for patients like Ian, they require a complicated and invasive surgery to correct. The family faced a major decision: When and where should they do this risky but essential procedure?

Heather recalls. *"When we met Dr. Klinge at Hasbro Children's Hospital three years ago, we were instantly comfortable with her. Then we met Dr. Albert Telfeian,*

and we knew Hasbro was the place to have this surgery. They are the dynamic duo."



Ian and his dad

"We are so blessed to live near Hasbro Children's Hospital. People come from all over the country for surgery of this quality, and we have it right here."

— Heather Callanan, parent

Drs. Klinge and Telfeian are Rhode Island's only pediatric neurosurgeons, and their combined expertise covers the full range of brain and spinal cord injuries and disorders in children and teens. They are also colleagues and researchers in The Norman Prince

Neurosciences Institute at Rhode Island Hospital, which brings together the state's leading experts in neurosurgery, neurology and psychiatry. Telfeian joined Hasbro Children's Hospital as director of pediatric neurosurgery in fall 2012 (see sidebar).

"A neurosurgeon must be like a family member to trust them to

operate on your child, and we couldn't have picked a better team," Michael says.

"We felt comfortable knowing that Dr. Telfeian had performed hundreds of similar surgeries, including operating on little people."

Heather adds, *"We are so blessed to live near Hasbro Children's Hospital. People come from all over the country for surgery of this quality, and we have it right here."*



Dr. Albert Telfeian and Dr. Petra Klinge

More than Just Training and Expertise

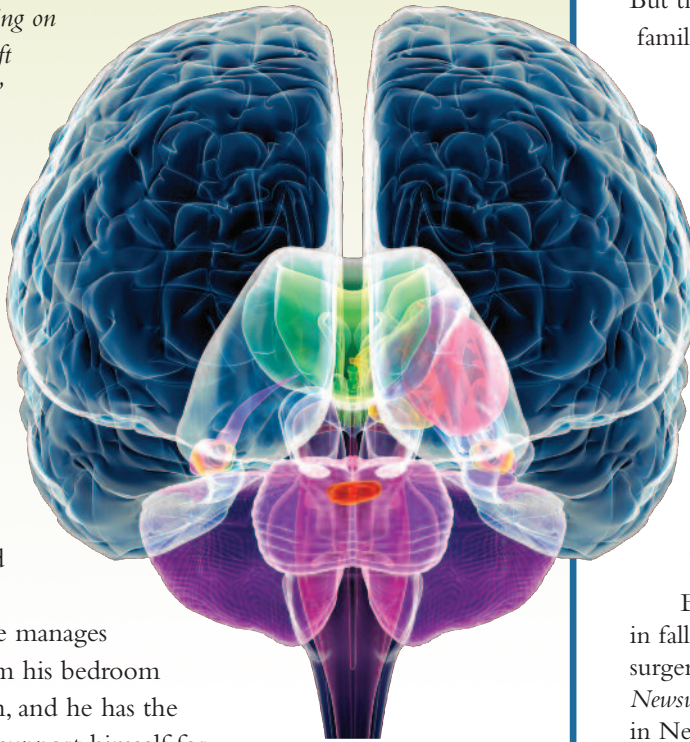
Dr. Klinge notes how critical the surgery was. *“Once we knew the extent of the compression, Ian had to restrict his movements to avoid twisting or further compressing his brain stem. This could have been fatal. We moved forward as expeditiously as we could to correct this problem. The surgery went seamlessly.”*

During the April 2013 surgery, Drs. Klinge and Telfeian were able to fix the compression of Ian’s brain stem and spinal cord by removing a shelf and a spike of overgrowing bone. They also electrically monitored Ian’s neurological activity during the surgery.

The results are already apparent. *“Ian has exceeded expectations every step of the way. He was expected to be on a ventilator for several days; he was breathing on his own before he left the operating room,”* says Dr. Telfeian. *“We expected the surgery to take eight hours; he was in recovery in less than five hours and asking to play a video game.”*

Ian is now able to climb in and out of his bed at home. Using a modified crawl, he manages to get himself from his bedroom to the living room, and he has the trunk strength to support himself for hours while playing with his toys. Ian has recently begun physical therapy at Hasbro Children’s Hospital’s rehabilitation center to help him learn to walk again.

Today, Ian smiles as he talks about Thomas the Tank Engine and his fondness for anything with wheels. *“I love being home. I want to stay home forever,”* he says. Those words and his playful laugh are music to his parents’—and his doctors’—ears.



MEET DR. ALBERT TELFEIAN



Our new director of pediatric neurosurgery has an MD and a PhD from Brown University and a long list of accomplishments and accolades. But this isn’t what impresses his patients and their families when they meet him. It’s his humanity.

As the mother of one recent surgical patient puts it, *“A doctor can be the most intelligent and well-trained around, but if he can’t speak to me like a real person and can’t connect with my child, I don’t want him operating on my son.”*

Dr. Telfeian understands and agrees with this sentiment. *“Before every surgery, I look the patient and parents in the eyes and promise they are my family. At every office visit, I give them hugs. I sit down with them when they are in the hospital and talk with them about their concerns. It makes all the difference in the world. And it’s so simple.”*

Before joining Hasbro Children’s Hospital in fall 2012, he was assistant professor of neurosurgery at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. *Newsweek* showcased him in their “15 Leaders in Neurosurgery” issue in 2011.

Telfeian’s focus extends outside the hospital’s walls, and he has visited many pediatricians in the community. *“Pediatricians need a neurosurgeon they can trust—and one they can reach. If you have a sick child with a temperature of 104 degrees, you don’t want to wait six hours for a call back. They know they can call me directly.”*

“A large part of my job is to offer comfort to families and help them get through a difficult time. I’ve gone through extreme training so that patients don’t have to leave Rhode Island for the best care.”

Community Donates **\$436,270** to Ninth Annual Radiothon



What are the perfect ingredients to make a successful radiothon for Hasbro Children's Hospital? First, gather a group of talented and dedicated DJs from three spectacular radio stations and arrange for them all to be broadcasting simultaneously from the hospital's cafeteria. Next, bring in more than 40 children, families and caregivers and have them all share their inspiring stories of hope and healing with the DJs—over a period of 15 hours. Then add more than 150 volunteers on site answering phone calls and taking gifts from the generous listening public.

On April 4, it all added up to thousands of listeners donating \$436,270 to support the vital pediatric care and family programs at Hasbro Children's Hospital.

The ninth annual radiothon broadcast was a partnership of Hasbro Children's Hospital, Providence Cumulus radio stations 92 PRO FM, LITE ROCK 105, and News Talk 630 WPRO AM & 99.7 FM, and Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

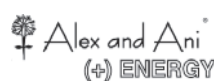
Among the many highlights was a \$50,000 gift from Paul Masse, owner of four local car dealerships bearing the Masse name. Masse donated \$25,000 from the roughly 500 cars sold in March, and he and his wife also donated another \$25,000.



"I thank the courageous families and our generous listeners and valued customers for joining together in support of Hasbro Children's Hospital. These donations will provide funding that will make a tremendous difference in the lives of children and families treated at the hospital."

--Barbara Haynes, market manager of Cumulus radio station

Thank You!



Hasbro Children's Hospital Advisory Council Provides Extraordinary Guidance

The Hasbro Children's Hospital Advisory Council, formed in 2010 and co-chaired by Alan Hassenfeld, former chairman and CEO of Hasbro, Inc., and director of Hassenfeld Family Initiatives, provides community leaders the chance to lend their expertise to hospital leadership to help define the strategic vision and address opportunities and challenges specific to Hasbro Children's Hospital. Members help advance exceptional patient care, research, education, visibility and fundraising efforts. Below is the full list of current members, and starting with this issue, we will briefly profile two of our members in each future issue of the magazine. Thanks to Karen Davis and Brad Dimeo for sharing their stories with us.

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Karen Davis

Philanthropy has always played a huge part in Karen Davis's life. Since 1998, as vice president of community relations for Hasbro, Inc., Karen leads all philanthropic and employee volunteer programs and oversees the Hasbro Children's Fund, which has helped more than 5 million children worldwide triumph over critical life obstacles while bringing the joy of play into their lives.

Karen is proud of her service to Hasbro Children's Hospital and her role on the hospital's Advisory Council and several gala event committees. *"It means a great deal to me—and to our employees—to do everything we can to enhance patient care,"* she says. *"During my tenure, we've helped fund Child Life services, including the Big Apple Circus Clown Care program, as well as the Center for Pediatric Imaging and Sedation and the Family Advocacy Center."*

Under Karen's guidance, Hasbro, Inc. also purchased and designed the LifePACT pediatric critical care transport ambulance and brought the GetWellNetwork interactive educational and entertainment system to the hospital.

"It's always powerful to be with the kids one on one, and I love delivering gifts along with other Hasbro senior leaders at the holidays," Karen says. *"I'm honored to be an advocate for the hospital and to support our 'All for One' promise to help the hospital be all it can be for each child and family."*

Brad Dimeo

Brad Dimeo has lived in Rhode Island for most of his life, and he and his family know what a tremendous benefit it is to have a world-class children's hospital in the state. As president of one of Northeast's leading builders—Dimeo Construction Company headquartered in Providence—Brad represents the third generation of his family to lead the firm.



"My family's involvement with Rhode Island Hospital and Hasbro Children's Hospital goes back generations, and we've been proud sponsors of the Golf Invitational, the gala and many other events," says Brad, who now chairs our Advisory Council's Nominating Committee and plays an integral part in recruiting and working with new members.

"Taking part in Hasbro Children's Hospital's Advisory Council is a great avenue to promote children's health in southeastern New England and become an advocate for Hasbro's amazing caregivers and programs," Brad says. *"Our hospital is in a unique position where it treats well in excess of 90 percent of pediatric inpatient cases in the region. It's rewarding to help move the hospital forward in improving the health of kids and families across the spectrum of pediatric care."*

We are proud to use the following pages to honor our generous donors whose philanthropy in 2012 has helped us meet our “All for One” promise to the community to be at our best at every moment for each children and family in our care. This list reflects cumulative gifts and pledges of \$250 or more in calendar year 2012.

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