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ROBIN ROBERTS GUEST STARS IN A SPECIAL EPISODE OF DISNEY JUNIOR'S ACCLAIMED ANIMATED SERIES 'DOC MCSTUFFINS,' PREMIERING ON NATIONAL CANCER SURVIVORS DAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 4

-- Special Advance Screenings set at Children's Hospitals across the US --

Beloved "Good Morning America" anchor and cancer survivor Robin Roberts guest stars in a special episode of Disney Junior's "Doc McStuffins" premiering on National Cancer Survivors Day, **SUNDAY, JUNE 4** (8:00-8:30 a.m. EDT), on Disney Channel.

Modeling compassion and care for kids age 2-7, the Peabody Award-winning animated series tells the imaginative story of six-year-old Doc McStuffins who communicates with and heals stuffed animals and broken toys.

Roberts plays the voice of "Audrey's Mom" in an episode titled "Hannah the Brave." In the heartwarming story, Audrey is a four-year-old chemotherapy patient whose doll Hannah has an issue that leads to her hair loss too. The episode includes an original song, "Brave Like You."



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Chris Nee, creator and executive producer of "Doc McStuffins," said, "Since 'Doc McStuffins' premiered, we've been contacted by numerous families of children who have been dealing with very serious illnesses. With this episode, we set out to tell a story for those kids whose illnesses can't be cured by just a kiss and a cuddle. It was important to me to let them know that we see them and they matter. Having Robin Roberts portray Audrey's mom in the episode is so special because she has experienced what many of these kids are going through and she's exactly who you would want cheerleading them through the tough times in their lives."

As part of Disney|ABC's Summer of Service campaign launching Thursday, June 1, Doc McStuffins will volunteer at Children's Hospital Los Angeles (CHLA), where Disney has a long-standing relationship. Doc will meet with kids and families during the hospital's First Annual Butterfly Clinic, an event designed to help children feel more comfortable and engaged in the hospital environment through medical play. CHLA is one of more than 40 children's hospitals across the country that will hold special advance screenings of the episode for young patients.

"Doc McStuffins" is a production of Academy Award-nominated Brown Bag Films in association with Disney Channel. The Hollywood Health & Society division of the USC Annenberg Norman Lear Center serves as the series' health and medical consultants, advising on basic health issues that are relevant to young kids and families. "Doc McStuffins" airs daily on Disney Channel and Disney Junior.

More information on Disney|ABC's Summer of Service campaign, including a list of volunteer opportunities for kids and families, is available at <u>www.Disney.com/</u><u>BeInspired</u>.

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