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HUDSON ELEVATOR GROUP DONATES A FULLY AUTOMATED ELEVATOR TO THE NEW HOME OF MILITARY HERO **BRENDAN MARROCCO**.

Hudson Elevator was honored to be a part of the team responsible for providing military hero, Brendan Marrocco a new, state of the art, ADA compliant home. At 22, Brendan was severely wounded in Iraq and was the first survivor of a quadruple amputation of the war in Iraq. Two non for profit organizations; Homes for Heroes and The Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, teamed up to build Brendan a home in his native, Staten Island, NY. This home has all of the amenities that Brendan will need to feel independent and help him be mobile in his own home, including a new elevator. After being contacted by

his friends at the Stephen Siller Foundation, Brian Farley, President & CEO of Hudson Elevator, was proud to be part of this project. Not only is Brendan a special military hero, but he was also a fellow Staten Island resident. Brian feels very strongly about giving back to the community and was eager to help Brendan. See Brendan's full story on pages 2 & 3.

Please visit these two charitable organizations on their websites:

www.tunneltotowersrun.org
www.homesforheroesfoundation.org



Pictured above, left to right: Amy DiPaolo - VP of Hudson, Frank Siller - Chairman of Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, Brian Farley - Pres. & CEO of Hudson & Dawn Noyola - CFO of Hudson, standing in front of Brendan's new elevator.

Hudson Elevator was proud to be part of this project and contributing to the state of the art amenities of the home, by furnishing and installing a new elevator.

Homes for Heroes:

"Our purpose is to provide or coordinate financial assistance and housing resources to our Nation's Heroes such as Military personnel, Police/Peace Officers, Firefighter and First Responders who are in need." To learn more, please visit: www.homesforheroesfoundation.org

Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation

"The sole purpose of our Foundation is to honor the legacy of love given to us by Stephen Siller, FDNY, who laid down his life on 9/11, by "doing good" in his name. The mission is to follow Stephen's footsteps through support of children who have lost a parent, firefighters, and military who have been seriously injured and sacrifice their quality of life in the line of duty.." To learn more, please visit: www.tunneltotowersrun.org



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Brendan Marrocco's Story as seen on his
website: www.brendanmarrocco.org



Brendan's Story

On January 15, 2008 Brendan entered service in the United States Army and was assigned to complete basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Brendan completed basic training on May 2nd 2008. Upon graduation he volunteered for service in the Infantry and was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division based at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. Specifically, Brendan was assigned to the 3rd Brigade, Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Regiment.

In late October 2008, Brendan's unit was deployed to Iraq for a twelve month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit was stationed at Forward Operating Base Summerall located 130 miles north of Baghdad. The mission of Brendan's Company was to root out terrorists, stop acts of terrorism, search for and seize weapons caches and maintain security in their area of operation.

During the early morning hours of Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009, while returning to base after a night mission, Brendan's vehicle sustained a direct hit by an Explosive Fired Projectile (EFP) resulting in one fatality and two injuries.

As a result of the EFP entering the vehicle through Brendan's door, Brendan sustained severe, permanent and life changing injuries.



Pictured above: Mayor Giuliani, Frank Siller and troops at the dedication of Brendan's home, with the American flag draped over the front of the house.



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New home for a hero

His injuries included:

- Amputation of both arms and both legs;
- Severed left carotid artery;
- Broken nose, left eye socket and facial bones;
- Loss of eight teeth;
- Shrapnel to the left eye and face;
- Severe lacerations to the face;
- Burns to the neck and face; and
- Pierced left eardrum.

Following the attack, Brendan was kept from bleeding to death by his platoon's medic and fellow soldiers long enough to be transported to the US Army trauma hospital in Tikrit, Iraq. At Tikrit he was

resuscitated, stabilized and underwent emergency surgeries. Following the surgeries, Brendan was transported to the Joint Operating Base in Balad, Iraq, then to Landstuhl Medical Center, Germany and lastly to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC. All this was accomplished within three days which is a testament to the awesome capabilities and commitment of the men and women who serve our country.

Brendan is currently recovering and undergoing physical and occupational therapy at Walter Reed Army Medical Center where he is expected to remain for an extended period of time. His brother Michael has graciously put his life on hold by moving in with Brendan and assisting with his recovery. He is Brendan's non-medical assistant and as such he is with him 24/7.

Brendan is doing well. He has been and continues to be an inspiration and source of strength for our family and to his fellow soldiers recovering at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Brendan may have lost his arms and legs but he never lost his will to survive and has maintained an extremely positive yet realistic attitude about his recovery and life after recovery. He knows that his recovery will be long, setbacks will occur and that his future will be challenging. Regardless, he continues to focus and channel his energies on his recovery and is looking forward to the future.

