



GEORGE BUSH

May 2010

Barbara and I send greetings on this, the 100th playing of The Travis Memorial. We have no doubt the tournament is a resounding success, and we congratulate the past winners and send congratulations in advance to the winner of this year's championship.

Golf is a game for which I have had a lifetime enthusiasm. I have a special place in my heart for amateur golf, of course, because my grandfather, George Herbert Walker, founded the Walker Cup in 1920. He knew there was nothing better for the future of the game and for the development of young people than to have the opportunity to learn and play golf.

The Travis Memorial pre-dates the Walker Cup; and, in fact, the Garden City Golf Club's rich history includes hosting the third Walker Cup match back in 1924 where, I might add, the U.S. won handily 9 to 3.

Barbara and I salute the organizers and sponsors of this wonderful event for your commitment not only to the game of golf, but to all aspiring golfers. We wish you continued success in the next one hundred years; and to the young golfers who are competing in this year's tournament, we say, Enjoy! We hope your lives are filled with eagles and birdies!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Bush". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "G" and a long, sweeping "B".