

## **STATEMENT BY THE FAMILY OF ROBERT DECKER**

First and foremost, to the family of Robert's co-workers and friends, you are in our every thought. Since our world changed on Thursday morning, there hasn't been an hour pass or a prayer said that hasn't included you. We feel your loss, we share many of your questions but at this point we have no more answers than you.

Secondly, to the staff of the Health Sciences Complex, we offer gratitude beyond expression. Robert continues to receive unbelievable care from a very compassionate and skilled team. We specifically acknowledge his ICU nurses and doctors who have not left his side and treat him with respect, commitment and a kindness which continues to move us.

We also have to acknowledge Robert's co-workers within the offshore industry, including the Search and Rescue team. Your concern and support is helping us all get through this.

We wish to make a brief statement on Robert's health. Upon admission to the Health Sciences Complex, Robert was in critical condition and he was immediately placed on a ventilator and life support, where he remains. He was revived for a period of time on Friday and showed awareness of his surroundings and the family members who were with him. However, the ventilator prevented him from speaking. He continues to be heavily sedated and in stable but critical condition. We continue to pray for his full recovery and have complete trust in his medical team.

Finally, we would like to acknowledge the many prayers offered and the supportive words said about Robert over the last few days by his many friends and co-workers. At this time, however, we ask that you also remember in your thoughts and prayers the other families who are dealing with such a profound loss.

The Family of Robert Decker