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I'm very moved by this letter, I have to tell you. Irwin is—I don't even know how many words to describe him—incredible, talented, genius, brilliant, passionate man. Would love to talk with you and spearhead some ideas & anything I can help with. That would be great.

I'm in a best-selling book now, *Ten Years Later*, by Hoda Kotb. It was fun to do my chapter for her.

I've been a professional athlete for years and the things I learned from Irwin at the age of 13 or 14, I still continue in my career. He taught me how to walk it, talk it, and represent the sport and I feel that's really carried me through my professionalism. I think he's just an incredible individual.

Traveling to Asia for two 62-mile races, one in Taiwan and one in the Philippines; home April 22.

I can't believe he's 81. I'm 53 – time sure flies! Thank you so much for reaching out.