



The Belinda Sue Fund[®] **for Ovarian Cancer Awareness & Research**

2017 Year End Message to Our Dedicated Followers

To Our Many Friends and Supporters,

It has been another phenomenal year for The Belinda Sue Fund in 2017. Thanks to your overwhelming generosity, we have met our fundraising goals once again. Over the past six years, The Belinda Sue Fund has focused on its primary goal of raising awareness of Ovarian Cancer, through its annual Gala, Zoo Walks and Billboard campaign. We believe that we have made a difference in increasing public awareness of this dreaded disease. Saving just one woman's life, via increased awareness, is what we have strived to do, and we believe we have been successful.

We have had the opportunity to provide research funding to the following amazing institutions:

- MD Anderson, Houston, TX
- The National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, MD
- Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, MI
- The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- The University of Miami, Miami Florida

The work of each institution in developing an early detection test for Ovarian Cancer, as well as increasing research on innovative therapies to treat the disease, is profound. We are, especially, excited about the work at the University of Miami and Henry Ford Hospital, focusing on early detection, which is a key goal of The Belinda Sue Fund.

With that being said, we are very excited to announce a new partnership with Henry Ford Health System (HFHS) that will allow us to move to the next level of our mission. While we have been very successful as a grass roots organization over the last six years, we have somewhat plateaued in our advancement. By partnering with HFHS, we have the opportunity to develop the leading Ovarian Cancer research and treatment program in Michigan. HFHS is in the construction phase of, what will be the most advanced Cancer Center in the state. Additionally, with Henry Ford's tremendously successful "Game on Cancer" initiative, working with the Detroit Lions, the sky is the limit!

We expect the transition to occur in early 2018, and, we will continue to maintain The Belinda Sue Fund, name and mission. Dr. Adnan Munkarah, Chairman of HFHS Women's Health, will be the clinical leader and manager for the fund, working with a new advisory board, of which I will be a member. We are planning to continue with the annual Belinda Sue Fund Zoo Walk, which is scheduled for Sunday, September 16, 2018. We are also looking at other fundraising events and will continue to keep you well-informed.

We are extremely excited about this amazing partnership to move Ovarian Cancer research to a lead role in this market. We are extremely grateful for all of your support of the last six years and your continued support of our new partnership in 2018!

I wish you and your family a wondrous Holiday Season and a prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Tom".

Thomas S. Nantais
Chairman,
The Belinda Sue Fund for Ovarian Cancer Awareness and Research, Inc.