

Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 2009

Madam, Sir,

The Canadian Cancer Society (CCS) is pleased to announce that "Women of Hope", a non-profit organization whose mission is to **raise funds for cancer research**, will organize a Valentine's day supper "Gala Circle of Hope" on **February 6th, 2010** at the **Holiday Inn Midtown** located at 420 Sherbrooke W. Proceeds from the evening will be donated to the CCS.

We kindly ask for your support as a sponsor or donor for this great event. Sponsors are essential to the success of any event and we will greatly appreciate your contribution. Without your participation, the CCS will not be able to pursue its mission which is the eradication of cancer and the enhancement of the quality of life of people living with cancer.

Although "Women of Hope" specifically donate the funds they raise for cancer research, the CCS dedicates its resources to:

**Research:** Thanks to its generous donors, the Canadian Cancer Society is the largest charitable funder of cancer research in Canada. In 2008-2009, the CCS gave Canadian researchers \$49.5 million, of which \$8 million went to Quebec. The Quebec Division contributed to \$5.4 million.

**Support:** "Cancer, J'écoute", telephone support service • 1 888 939-3333 • Support Groups • Financial and practical assistance • Temporary housing in Montreal for people undergoing treatment.

**Information:** Cancer information service 1 888 939-3333 • Website [www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca) • Diverse publications.

**Prevention:** Major awareness campaigns on healthy lifestyle choices • Strategies for reducing cancer risk.

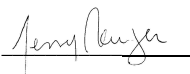
**Advocacy:** Member of the "Coalition Priorité Cancer au Québec" • Advocating for healthy public policy and cancer control • Tobacco control.

**Administration:** Maintain a provincial office in Montreal and 14 regional offices throughout Quebec.

**Financial campaign:** Production of promotional and solicitation material for *Daffodil Days*, the Daffodil Ball, *Relay For Life* events, mailings, door-to-door activities, gastronomic dinners, etc.

By working together, we are strong. Every dollar raised, every volunteer who donates time, and every donor who believes in our cause can make a difference. Our vision is to create a world where cancer is no longer feared. With your help, this goal may soon be possible.

Sincerely,



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**Women of Hope**

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*Milene Bento, Lisa Grilli, Grace Lovero*  
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*Miki Romeo, Terri Tirabasso, Luisa Verdone*