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Welcome and tribute to 2020 Cancer Champions
Representative Terri Sewell and Representative Greg Walden
Carolyn Aldigé, Founder and Chief Executive Officer
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A toast to the success of the evening
His Excellency, the Ambassador of the Netherlands, André Haspels

Special guest performances and stories
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Susanna Quinn: Triumph Over Ovarian Cancer
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COA applauds the health care professionals who have worked tirelessly to prevent, detect, and treat cancer for patients and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Dear friends,

Shortly after Bernie and I arrived in the United States last year, we learned about the custom of ambassadors choosing a US-based nonprofit to support during their time in Washington. We learned of countless nonprofits worthy of our support, but we chose the Prevent Cancer Foundation because of its longstanding battle to Stop Cancer Before It Starts!®

The foundation’s mission rings true for us, in no small part because cancer in its many forms can strike anyone at any age without warning. Too many lives in both the United States and the Netherlands are cut short by this relentless disease, but the earlier we diagnose it, the better our chances of survival become. And that’s the foundation’s mission. Through research, education, outreach, and advocacy, the Prevent Cancer Foundation works to stop the disease before it starts.

The Netherlands has long sought a cure for cancer. For more than a century, the Netherlands Cancer Institute has been on the international forefront of cancer research and treatment. The institute began in Amsterdam in 1913 in the Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Huis, named after the famous Dutch microbiologist, with room for 17 patients. Today, the Antoni van Leeuwenhoek Hospital has 180 beds and an outpatient clinic with 106,000 annual visits.

Likewise, the Dutch Cancer Society has been searching for a cure since its founding in 1949. When the society began its mission, only one out of every four cancer patients survived beyond five years of their diagnosis. Today that number has increased to two out of three, which is a great improvement. But our work is not done and it won’t be done until we excise cancer from today’s medical journals and confine it to our history books.

To turn this notion into reality, we must be as determined and resolved in our research as the disease is relentless. Cooperation and partnerships are key, and the United States has no better partner than the Netherlands. We have been friends for more than 400 years, and we will continue to be friends and partners as we search for a cure.

We are proud to support the Prevent Cancer Foundation’s 26th annual gala, which will be a virtual event this year because of the pandemic. I look forward to toasting with you the continued success of the foundation.

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Tonight we gather for a virtual “Masterpiece in Bloom,” an evening to salute the beauty of the Kingdom of the Netherlands under the honorary patronage of Dutch Ambassador André Haspels and Mrs. Bernie Haspels. Their gracious leadership of the Gala, and involvement with the planning, have ensured a wonderfully successful event and an evening to be remembered.

We are delighted that you have joined us tonight in support of Prevent Cancer Foundation’s extraordinarily valuable work in the areas of cancer research and critical early detection programs. Your generosity will help us reach our goal of raising $1.7 million, with the proceeds to focus on funding research grants and fellowships, supporting programs for the medically underserved and two programs in response to COVID-19: “Back on the Books” a campaign reminding people to reschedule cancer screening appointments and “Open-QIC” grants supporting a unique global database of CT scans of COVID-19 patients’ lungs, utilizing artificial intelligence to enable the correct management of these patients when they first present with symptoms.

We are grateful to our Honorary Congressional Co-Chairs, Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR), Representative Frank Pallone (D-NJ) and Representative Fred Upton (R-MI) for their leadership of over one hundred members of the Honorary Congressional Committee. We also want to pay a special tribute to the Gala’s Cancer Champions, Representative Terri Sewell (D-AL) and Representative Greg Walden (R-OR).

There are many who have contributed to tonight's Gala, beginning with the Dinner Committee Co-Chairs, Bruce Harris and Jennifer Griffin; members of the Dinner Committee; and dedicated staff and volunteers who have worked tirelessly on this event for many months.

Congratulations to Bo Aldigé, the CEO and Founder of the Prevent Cancer Foundation, on this unique re-imagining of the Gala as a virtual event. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the Gala Co-Chairs and be part of such an incredible team and mission.

We hope everyone will have a wonderful and memorable evening. Thank you again for being here and for your generosity that supports Prevent Cancer’s mission of saving lives across all populations through cancer prevention and early detection.

Tim Day and Susan and Ted Okon
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This year’s gala salutes the beautiful Kingdom of the Netherlands and we extend special thanks to our honorary patrons, Ambassador André Haspels and Mrs. Bernie Haspels. It has been a pleasure to work with them and their team at the embassy in planning tonight’s event.

We extend congratulations to tonight’s honorees, our Cancer Champions Representative Terri Sewell and Representative Greg Walden. We thank them for their leadership on issues impacting cancer research, cancer prevention and quality patient care.

Special thanks as well to our Honorary Congressional Co-chairs, Chairman Lisa Murkowski, Senator Ron Wyden, Chairman Frank Pallone and Representative Fred Upton.

This event also could never happen without our volunteer leadership. We are so grateful to our co-chairs Tim Day and Ted and Susan Okon and dinner committee co-chairs Jennifer Griffin and Bruce Harris, as well as every member of the committee for all their efforts to help us reach our fundraising goal.

Special thanks to our talented producer/videographer Aaron Schwartz, to emcee Tim Kavanagh, to all our performers and to the Foundation video producer Deborah Camiel and interviewer Jennifer Griffin, for making our show so memorable.

Tonight we celebrate the progress we have made in cancer prevention and early detection - and we also look toward the future and the work that remains.

I’m so grateful to our talented and dedicated staff, led by our senior vice president Jody Hoyos, who work so hard all year to help us extend our mission. Tonight I also want to add a special salute to our awesome special events team of Lorelei Mitrani and Amanda Wallach.

In closing, I want to thank our dedicated and visionary board of directors, led by chair Gary Lytle, and thank them for their tireless commitment to our cause.

Thank you for being here – Enjoy the show!

Carolyn Aldigé
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Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell is in her fifth term representing Alabama’s 7th Congressional District. She is one of the first women elected to Congress from Alabama in her own right and is the first black woman to ever serve in the Alabama Congressional delegation.

Congresswoman Sewell sits on the exclusive House Ways and Means Committee and brings to the committee her more than 15 years of experience as a securities and public finance attorney. Currently, in the 116th Congress, she serves as Vice-Chair of the House Ways & Means Committee where she sits on three subcommittees: the Subcommittee on Health; the Subcommittee on Trade; and the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.

Congresswoman Sewell also serves on the distinguished House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence charged with the oversight of our national security. She is currently the Chairwoman of the Subcommittee on Defense Intelligence and Warfighter Support, charged with the oversight of collection and timely dissemination of Department of Defense intelligence with respect to support of all military operations.

In her short time in Congress, Sewell has held several leadership positions, including Freshman Class President in the 112th Congress. This current term, she was selected by Democratic leadership to serve as a Chief Deputy Whip and sits on the prestigious Steering and Policy Committee which sets the policy direction of the Democratic Caucus. Congresswoman Sewell is a member of the Congressional Black Caucus where she is Co-Chair of the Voting Rights Task Force. She is a Vice Chair of the New Democrat Coalition; Co-Chair of the Congressional Voting Rights Caucus; Vice-Chair of the Congressional HBCU Caucus; and Co-Chair of the Rural Caucus.

A proud product of Alabama’s rural Black Belt, Congresswoman Sewell was the first black valedictorian of Selma High School. She is an honors graduate of Princeton University and Oxford University in England and received her law degree from Harvard Law School.
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE
GREG WALDEN

U.S. Rep. Greg Walden represents the people of Oregon’s Second Congressional District, which includes 20 counties in central, southern, and eastern Oregon. Walden, 63, is a lifelong Oregonian whose ancestors came to Oregon by wagon train in 1845.

He and his wife Mylene celebrated 37 years of marriage in August 2019 and make their home in Hood River where they’ve been small business owners since 1986. Their son, Anthony graduated from Hood River Valley High School and Wake Forest University. His parents are graduates of the University of Oregon.

Walden’s experience as a former member of the Hood River Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees and as a former member of the Oregon Health Sciences University Foundation Board have helped in his work to improve access to affordable health care, especially in rural communities. His successful efforts have earned him national and local awards.

Walden has also worked hard to ensure that Oregon service members and veterans receive the benefits they have earned through years of brave service.

In November 2014, Walden’s House Republican colleagues unanimously reelected him to serve as chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC).

In the 116th Congress, Walden serves as the Republican Leader of the Energy and Commerce Committee.
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