



June 7, 2017

Mr. Nick Nicholson
Founder
Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation
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Jacksonville, FL 32224

RE: Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation

I am delighted to offer this letter of support and recommendation of the Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation. As a long-time kidney cancer patient myself, and also someone who has built a kidney cancer patient organization in Canada. I know first-hand the need for an organization like the JNF to support patients and their families. I also know that it requires a great deal of work and personal commitment to the cause. Nick, you and your Board should be commended for your work to date!

I came to meet the JNF while on a vacation to Florida 3 years ago. I stumbled across a kidney cancer organization listed in Jacksonville, called them up and was welcomed on their phone line and invited to meet in person while I was local. I attended a meeting in a local restaurant and there I met Nick and some of the Board members, several of them active patients on treatment, all helping one another. Since then, I have seen their efforts grow to raise funds for research, raise awareness of the disease – and can attest to their genuine desire to help those with this disease. I was pleased to participate as a speaker on one of their patient-to-patient educational forums not so long ago on clinical trials.

Based on my knowledge of the Foundation, they work tirelessly to assist patients, survivors; and are emerging as a much-needed resource for kidney cancer patients that provides peer-to-peer support, information and practical assistance to those in need. This organization, like others across the country, is playing a vital role to support the many needs of kidney cancer patients and their families.

Sincerely,

Deb Maskens
Vice Chair, International Kidney Cancer Coalition
Founder, Kidney Cancer Canada / Cancer du Rein Canada
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Paula Gibson
Jacksonville, FL
June 10, 2017

Dear Board of Directors,

Being part of the Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation has benefitted me greatly.

I was diagnosed in July 2007 with stage 3 renal cell carcinoma. After having my kidney removed I was extremely fortunate not to have any further treatment aside from periodic ultrasounds or cat scans.

At the time, I had just moved to Jacksonville and did not have a support network. My surgeon knew of JNF and suggested that I could help as a volunteer. That led to forming our support group.

Through the years, along with a co-chair, I have met many wonderful people going through the ups and downs of kidney cancer treatments. I am always amazed with the strength and courage these patients have shown and glad that our support group is able to offer them some relief.

As a result, I have made many new friends...patient's, board members and doctors. I know that through this group I will be well taken care of if the need ever arises.

Judy Nicholson Kidney Cancer Foundation is a wonderful organization that is truly committed to helping kidney cancer patients and their families as well as working towards finding a cure or a method for early detection.

I am honored to be part of it.

Thank you,

Paula Gibson