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Dear Mr. Ingraham:

It was a pleasure to sit in on your breast cancer presentation and talking with you in regards to your upcoming book. Your project appears to be an initiative that many breast cancer advocates, patients, spouses, family members and the general population can benefit from.

Your approach of including women "top-free" who have been diagnosed with breast cancer as well as women who have not but were impacted by the disease is unique and so very appropriate in addressing the fears that so many women experience as it relates to their health, self esteem, femininity, appearance and sexuality.

The New Jersey Cancer Education and Early Detection program receives funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide moneys to all 21 Counties in the State of New Jersey for comprehensive statewide access to quality breast and cervical cancer education, outreach, screening and follow-up. It services persons with limited incomes who are without adequate health insurance coverage. The goal is to decrease the disparity in cancer morbidity and mortality in this population and your book with its pictures of women top-free with their stories of how breast cancer impacted their lives will certainly touch anyone who reads it and incent them in a very informative and tasteful manner to acquire the appropriate early detection screenings.

We are excited about having you deliver your presentation to inform our grantees about your book project.

Breast Cancer is a major public health problem in New Jersey and is one of the most common cancers among women. Statistics show that all women are at risk for breast cancer and as one gets older, the risk increases.

We look forward to having you at our next coalition meeting at which time you will be able to address the full body coalition about your project.

I hope you have a happy and blessed Thanksgiving along with your family.

Sincerely,

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