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“YOUR CONTRIBUTION MAKES A STRONG DIFFERENCE”

Dear Friend,

Every 15 minutes, fifty Americans are diagnosed with cancer. The good news is ... every year millions of Americans are beating cancer through advancements in treatments.

On Saturday, July 29, hundreds of volunteers, past and current Olympians, and more than 800 participants will join together to make a **Strong Difference**. Swim Across America Long Island Sound (SAA-LIS) raises more than \$1 million annually to support cancer research, prevention and patient care. We provide cancer care and survivorship benefits in our community with grants to **The Cancer Support Team** – the only Westchester-based home care program offering free services to patients and their families; and research and clinical trial grants to **New York Presbyterian Children’s Hospital Pediatric Oncology Lab; Memorial Sloan-Kettering Research Labs of Dr. Luiz Diaz and Dr. Kung Kids Department of Pediatrics; and Weil Cornell Medical Center SAA Research Lab of Dr. Jed Wolchok and Dr. Taha Merghoub.**

We are inspired to making waves to fight cancer – immunotherapy treatments of Keytruda, Opdivo and Yervoy each became FDA approved. And the recent groundbreaking rectal clinical trial that showed a 100% response rate were all funded by SAA-LIS grants. **Our contributions make a Strong Difference.**

Join us in our continued commitment and see a child overcome a diagnosis, a dad walk his daughter down the aisle and a grandparent live longer to hold a grandchild. Please use the attached sponsorship forms or visit our website for more information and to register to swim, donate or volunteer and help us to make a **Strong Difference**.

Sincerely,

Jean M. Fufidio  
SAA-LIS Event Director / Chair

[www.swimacrossamerica.org/long\\_island](http://www.swimacrossamerica.org/long_island)

*Founded in 1987, Swim Across America, Inc. (501c (3) non-profit organization) hosts swims in 22 states, raising over \$100 million for cancer research and treatment programs at our country’s finest hospitals and cancer care centers.*