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**Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen Shines Spotlight on
Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer**

Florida Congresswoman talks DDF impact in a one minute speech on the House floor.

Fort Lauderdale, Fla – (June 22, 2017) – In a heartfelt speech on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, U.S. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) highlighted the hard work and dedication of Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF). Representing Florida's 27th congressional district, Congresswoman Ros-Lehtinen [spoke passionately from the United States House floor](#) about the significance and impact of DDF and its President and Founder, Debbie Zelman, a 9-year stage IV stomach cancer survivor.

"Americans diagnosed with stomach cancer face a challenging battle as it is difficult to find reliable information, good treatment, and valuable resources," said Congresswoman Ros-Lehtinen. "Debbie's Dream [Foundation] works with local communities, businesses, government agencies, and the scientific community to raise awareness about stomach cancer and promote research and cutting edge treatment to improve the lives of those afflicted with this cancer."

DDF is no stranger to the recognition and avid support of Rep. Ros-Lehtinen as she was the recipient of DDF's Congressional Champion Award in 2016. The Congresswoman also sat down to speak with members of the organization during its 5th Annual Stomach Cancer Capitol Hill Advocacy Day in Washington, D.C. this past February. For more information about DDF, please visit www.DebbiesDream.org.

About Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer

Debbie's Dream Foundation: Curing Stomach Cancer (DDF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness about stomach cancer, advancing funding for research, and providing education and support internationally to patients, families, and caregivers. Debbie's Dream Foundation seeks as its ultimate goal to make the cure for stomach cancer a reality.

DDF was founded in 2009 by Debbie Zelman after she was diagnosed with stage IV incurable stomach cancer in 2008 and given only weeks to live. DDF now has a Medical Advisory Board of world renowned doctors and chapters throughout the United States and in Canada and Germany. Considered a "Super Survivor," Debbie is still receiving chemotherapy 9 years later and is thrilled to be able to watch her three children grow up. To learn more about DDF, please visit us at www.DebbiesDream.org.

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Photo One: DDF President and Founder Debbie Zelman and Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL) during DDF's 5th Annual Stomach Cancer Capitol Hill Advocacy Day.



Photo Two: DDF Board Member Stephen Greenberger, DDF President and Founder Debbie Zelman, Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL), DDF Board Member and Secretary Madelyn Zelman, and DDF Board Member David Kubiliun during DDF's 5th Annual Stomach Cancer Capitol Hill Advocacy Day.

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