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TIGERLILY FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL EMPOWER BALL: HEALTHCARE LEADERS UNITE TO EMPOWER UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES AND ADDRESS HEALTH DISPARITIES

Washington, DC – October 9, 2024 – The Tigerlily Foundation is thrilled to announce it's two weeks away from its highly anticipated Annual EmPOWER Ball. This special evening is dedicated to honoring patients, advocates, healthcare providers, and leaders who are making significant strides in women's health while raising vital funds for programs that support young women before, during, and after cancer.

On Sat., Oct. 19, 2024, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM at the prestigious Waldorf Astoria DC, supporters from across the United States will join in the Presidential Ballroom for an extraordinary night of beauty, empowerment, and impactful connections. Inspired by the opulence of Bridgerton, the event will celebrate trailblazers whose achievements embody resilience and commitment to advancing health advocacy, innovative treatments, and addressing healthcare inequities.

"Being nominated for the KM Warrior Award reminds me that the persistent call to share my story became stronger than my fear of being associated with cancer. Becoming an ANGEL Advocate has enabled me to educate, advocate for, empower, and support individuals in the cancer community and beyond, transforming what were initially instructions into a profound passion." - **Tameka Johnson, ANGEL Advocate and KM Warrior Award Honoree**

This year, Tigerlily is proud to highlight its partnership with **Bristol Myers Squibb** as they unite healthcare leaders to empower underserved communities and address health disparities. Together, they are creating meaningful change and ensuring that all individuals have access to the care they deserve.

"I believe in the transformative power of patient-driven science—where patients aren't just informed but empowered as true partners in their care," shared Tania Small, M.D., co-chair of the 2024 Tigerlily Foundation's annual EmPOWER Ball. "Only together will we create treatment solutions that are as dynamic and resilient as the people they're designed for. The Tigerlily Foundation is at the forefront of these efforts through their work educating, advocating for, empowering, and supporting young women, before, during, and after cancer and I am honored to co-chair this year's EmPOWER Ball which raises funds to support this critical work."

The additional chairs are Maimah Karmo, President and CEO of the Tigerlily Foundation, and Dr. Tania Small, Senior Vice President and Head of Medical Affairs at BMS. Award-winning journalist and News4 Anchor Shawn Yancy will serve as the Mistress of Ceremonies, guiding guests through an inspiring program dedicated to honoring heroes in the fight against cancer.

Previously, Karmo and Dr. Small hosted an enlightening conversation on empowering individuals to find their voices and advocate for better care in underserved communities. To watch the full interview, visit: [Empowered Video Interview 2024](#).

“We invite all to join us in forging partnerships between pharmaceutical companies and patient advocacy groups, amplifying our collective efforts to support young women affected by cancer,” shared Karmo. “Together, we can make a lasting impact.”

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit our website at [Tigerlily Foundation EmPOWER Ball](#).

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