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To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: Support [REDACTED] team, Young NYC, in the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation Take Steps Walk

Dear Friends,

Your incredible generosity over these past two years in supporting my team, Young NYC, in the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation (CCFA) "Take Steps, Be Heard" Walk has made a big difference for me and the 1.4 million people living in the U.S. with Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD).

Here are some recent research milestones reached because of your past donations to Young NYC for the CCFA:

- * discovered the first gene for Crohn's Disease;
- * developed the first biologic medication for IBD, infliximab, that revolutionized the treatment;
- * developing animal models of IBD, a vital resource for understanding;
- * investigation of microbial antigens, bacteria that normally occur in the intestine and that are involved in the body's immune response;
- * investigating the efficacy of the biological agent infliximab in combination with methotrexate for Crohn's disease -- study is ongoing.

Not only is this research important because it might one day lead to a cure (thus far all treatments help suppress the disease but don't cure it), but it is also vitally important for my health today. Everything we can learn about Crohn's and its treatments increases the chance that I and everyone with IBD can live healthy, productive lives today and going forward.

We will walk across the Brooklyn Bridge on May 16 with the intent of moving the ball forward for IBD; and I would love for you to be a part of the team.

As in previous years, there are two ways to get involved and show support for Young NYC and the CCFA:

(First make sure your email server does not classify this email as "junk.")

1. **Donate:** Click on the red "Support Me" button below. Your internet browser will open up to my personal walk page, and you can click "Donate to Caitlin!" No amount is too small....or too big!
2. **Walk with us, join the team and start fundraising:** Click on the red "Support Me" button below. Your internet browser will open up to my personal walk page, and you can click "Join Young NYC=" Once you join you can donate and start reaching out to all of your friends and family, and to people you know who may be affected by IBD. (Note: If you plan on walking with us, please join Young NYC and donate ANY amount to yourself.)

With Much Love, Appreciation and Hope for a Healthy Future,

[REDACTED]

<http://online.cdfa.org/site/TR?px==359505&pg=personal&fr_id=3884&s_src=BF_emailbadge>

ps: If you prefer not to donate online, it is also possible to send a check, payable to The Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America</=pan>

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