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Susan G. Komen for the Cure Partners with U.S. State Department and M.D. Anderson to Ignite Breast Cancer Awareness and Research in Latin America

DALLAS – July 10, 2007 – As the world’s largest global breast cancer organization, Susan G. Komen for the Cure is proud to be a part of the Partnership for Breast Cancer Awareness and Research of the Americas, an initiative that will bring together experts across the United States of America and Latin America to help in the fight to end breast cancer forever.

This partnership, [today announced by Mrs. Bush](#) during the White House Conference on the Americas, will help organizations in Brazil, Costa Rica and Mexico to address the need for additional research, training and specific community outreach efforts. This initiative represents an expansion of the U.S.–Middle East Partnership for Breast Cancer Awareness and Research.

Continuing the promise

This partnership truly exemplifies a commitment to the original promise Nancy G. Brinker made to her sister and signifies a shift in culture and progressive global movement to ending this disease. Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer related death for women worldwide and because of this, it is crucial that women begin to take ownership of their health. We believe, with the joined effort of the U.S. State Department, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and the Institute of International Education’s West Coast Center (IIE), we can begin making strides to empower people globally, ensure quality care for all and energize science to find the cures.

Our ongoing mission to end breast cancer forever

From delivering life saving messages to people in more than 200 countries, to providing funds to programs in 50 countries, to creating a dialogue in places where it is still not possible to say the words "breast cancer" out loud, Susan G. Komen for the Cure has demonstrated how local activism drives global social change. Today, Susan G. Komen for the Cure is the world’s largest grassroots network of breast cancer survivors and activists and the largest private source of funds for breast cancer research

and community outreach programs. As it has for the past 25 years, Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its millions of supporters will remain steadfast in fulfilling Nancy's original promise to her sister – a promise that has become the promise of millions – to end breast cancer forever.

[Read Mrs. Bush's speech announcing the partnership.](#)

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