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I have known Tammy Kaminski, DC for many years. When she was diagnosed with uterine cancer, I as a nurse was truly shocked. She has always practiced what she taught others, the practice of taking care of our bodies by eating right, exercising and being very mindful of the products we use and buy. When pondering this diagnosis and what I know about uterine cancer, that it occurs when something causes a mutation in the DNA cells in the endometrium, I had difficulty linking that diagnosis to her based on her lifestyle. It was not until I recalled her instantaneous decision after 911 to go to ground zero to assist those in their great time of need, especially our devastated police and firemen. She gave no regard for her own safety, only thinking of others and how she could help. While the rest of us were running away, she was running in to help.

Now we have an opportunity to do the right thing and repay these heroes for their bravery and subsequent suffering. I saw Dr Kaminski during her chemotherapy treatment. It was suffering you would not wish on your worst enemy but I never heard her complain, not once.

Please let us not ignore those who are dealing with the lasting effects of this horrific event. Let us acknowledge and honor them by first compensating them for their medical treatment. Sincerely,

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