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## MEDIA RELEASE A Tribute to 2019 Human Touch Award Winner Michelle Prince

WINDSOR, ON. Staff, volunteers and patients in the Windsor Regional Cancer Centre put their dancing shoes on to recognize and celebrate 2019 Human Touch Award Winner Michelle Prince and her dedication to improving the patient experience.

Prince, who died last year after a 5-year-cancer journey, was recently honoured posthumously with a Human Touch Award from Cancer Care Ontario. These awards are presented annually to recognize exemplary and compassionate patient care.

Today, the Human Touch award was presented to Prince's family along with a special video tribute meant to capture her compassion, positive spirit and love of dance.

WATCH: Cancer Centre Celebrates 2019 Human Touch Award Winner, Michelle Prince <a href="https://youtu.be/r1a4RaFJa4k">https://youtu.be/r1a4RaFJa4k</a>

The award is a recognition of Prince's contributions to improving the patient experience including:

- Inspiring and supporting the Dr. Michelle Prince Comfort Care Tote Program. The program is a partnership between T2B and the Cancer Centre Foundation that provides high quality tote bags to 1,100+ new chemotherapy patients each year. The tote contains items to engage and comfort patients during chemotherapy and help them manage the side effects.
- Live streaming her 56<sup>th</sup> chemotherapy treatment on Facebook. More than 25,000 viewers from around the world watched as she talked about the experience and answered their questions in real time.
- Co-chairing the Starry Night fundraiser with her husband Eddie Francis. The event raised more than \$1.5 million for the new Windsor-Essex Hospitals System.

"Michelle continues to touch so many lives and that is what this award is all about," said Monica Staley Liang, Vice President of the Erie St. Clair Regional Cancer Program. "Every patient who enters our program now and into the future will benefit from her dedication and commitment to improving the cancer journey for all."