

## Statement of the National Breast Cancer Coalition on the Passing of Congressman John Lewis July 2020

John Lewis was an extraordinary man. His passing leaves all of us at the National Breast Cancer Coalition (NBCC) with overwhelming grief. Congressman Lewis was a hero, in every sense of the word, to so many of us fighting for social justice causes. We are grateful for Congressman Lewis' longstanding commitment to NBCC's mission to end breast cancer, and for our partnership with him in working to ensure high quality, affordable healthcare for all individuals.

Congressman Lewis was a champion in our shared mission to ensure meaningful system change, transparency and oversight on all issues that affect breast cancer and peoples' lives. NBCC is thankful for the fact that we had the opportunity to know and work with him and for the decades of support Congressman Lewis gave to NBCC's legislative and public policy agenda.

NBCC, and the country, has lost a true but humble leader, a man of integrity, compassion and courage, and a friend. Our condolences go to his family, and to all who admired and learned from him. He will be deeply missed.

In his honor NBCC renews its commitment to getting into "good trouble" whenever possible.