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Dear Member of ISGE,

I write this letter to you to announce with great sadness the passing of our beloved friend and Medical Director ISGE Mrs. Ornella Sizzi.

Ornella was the "iron lady" of our society. Made of iron only when to defend our ISGE full of empathy when concerned with our members in teaching and in lecturing.

She did coordinate the scientific work of the society and just last year she did start a world wide project on pre-operative evaluation of fibroids combined with the per-operative and post-operative findings to counter balance the problematic caused by the FDA ruling on power morcellation.

She was also the driving force behind the organization of the meetings of our ISGE.

Her body did stop fighting in the night of September Sunday 18. She did suffer from the relapse of a bilateral breast carcinoma treated years ago.


She has been at the job until the last few weeks. It is a comfort that she did not suffer pain and that she did remain conscious and very alert until the last moments so she could appreciate the letter send by the EXCO-Board in meeting in Bali where we did thank her very much for all the great work she has done to bring ISGE on the forefront of the teaching and divulging endoscopic gynecological surgery throughout the world.

We decided to honor her by giving her name to the key note lecture of our congresses. From now on this will be the "Ornella Sizzi Memorial" Lecture

Your President,

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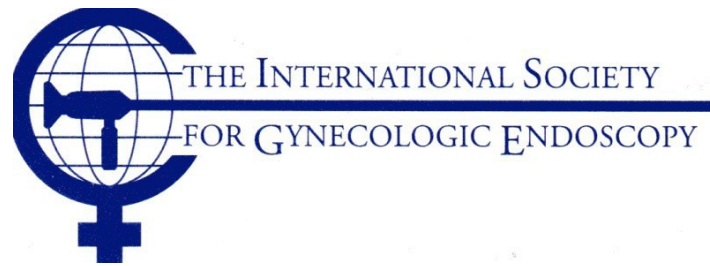
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