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I'll never forgive the FDA for what they did to Dad CareToLive Loses Another Member — Part I

4/16/08 Care To Live brings you week #3 of our campaign which will continue until the FDA acts in a humane manner. 1 in 6 men get prostate cancer. 83 American men die of it every day.

Provenge was voted 17-0 Safe and 13-4 Efficacious by an FDA panel of experts.

On behalf of our patient

members like Stephen H. Study, we filed a Citizens Petition on July 27, 2007 asking the FDA to reconsider the failure to approve Provenge and by law they were to have properly responded in January. They have not properly responded. The FDA ignores our Petition while our members continue

to die painful deaths. Is the FDA Commissioner morally bankrupt?

We want better, safer treatments NOW!

Please stop and say hello to our members passing out copies of this ad in front of the FDA today!

Dear Reader,

My father, Stephen Howard Study, lost his 13 month battle with prostate cancer on March 27th, 2008. He was 66 years old and leaves behind two sons and their families including 4 grand children. We miss him terribly.

Dad was diagnosed with advanced and aggressive prostate cancer February 2007, two months after burying his wife of

44 years; whom was also taken by cancer. It was a gloomy time for us but there was a ray of hope. Dad's urologist was very keen on a new therapy, Provenge, which was on the near horizon. He was convinced it was Dad's best shot. Our plan would be to just hold tight using traditional therapies and once the FDA approved Provenge Dad's doctor would start treatment immediately.

The FDA decision in May

2007 was devastating for us. After closely following the Provenge saga, we were just so sure it was going to be approved in time for Dad. He was getting sicker in spite of the traditional therapies, or because of them, and now our ray of hope was fading. However, Dad's urologist was convinced this FDA decision



Stephen H. Study

it would be corrected with the public and private outcries going on. He assured us that Provenge would become available in time. But, just in case he told us about another similar treatment opportunity in the Philippines. We waited all summer hoping and praying and watching Dad grow sicker with each passing day.

By October 2007 it was apparent that Provenge wasn't going to be available. Dad finally made the very difficult

decision to go to the Philippines as a last ditch effort to save his life. He was very nervous about leaving his country. It was very expensive. It was a very difficult journey to attempt for such a sick man. And ultimately he made the trip too late.

I'll never forget watching my father wither away from prostate cancer.

I'll never forget watching him writhe in unbearable pain on the floor of the San Francisco airport.

I'll never forget my father, near the end of his life, accusing us of trying to kill him as he struggled in his delirium under almost unimaginable levels of morphine.

I'll never forget how our government let our family down.

I'll never forgive the FDA for what they did to Dad.

May God bless all the other families that have and will go through the year we just did. It is so tragic.

Sincerely,
Stephen D. Study

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This is OUR FDA.

We need to take it back from certain FDA individuals with their own ambitions. See you next week.

FDA Approve Provenge Now!

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