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On March 11, 2005, Kalika Webb, then 17, suffered catastrophic impairment as a consequence of a motor vehicle crash. I had the honour and privilege of representing Kalika (a delightful girl) and her family (truly salt of the earth people).

When my partners and I determined this year’s agenda for the annual “Back to School” series, I immediately suggested that we have Kalika and her parents fly in from New Brunswick in order to address our conference attendees.

Many people have opined that Kalika’s impairments were insurmountable. Over the past six years, having had the opportunity to represent Kalika and her family, *I have learned* that nothing is unattainable for a motivated patient, provided they have strong backing from family and access to required therapies and care.

Kalika, today the stage is yours! You continue to amaze and to inspire. Knock ‘em dead!

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