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Morgan Stanley Smith Barney Hosts Reception and Conversation with Four-time WNBA Champion and Breast Cancer Research Advocate Cynthia Cooper-Dyke

NEW YORK, October 5, 2009 – Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC announced today that, in partnership with The Hartford and their charitable partner the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund, it will host a reception and conversation with four-time WNBA Champion and breast cancer research advocate, Cynthia Cooper-Dyke, at the Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase College on Thursday, October 8th at 5:30 p.m.

The event is a client and community engagement in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and is sponsored by The Hartford, the first founding partner of the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund. More than 200 Morgan Stanley Smith Barney employees, clients and tri-state community leaders are expected to attend.

“Morgan Stanley Smith Barney is pleased to partner with The Hartford and the Kay-Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund on this event,” said John Campbell, Managing Director, Head of National Business Development at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney. “We are especially delighted to feature Ms. Cooper-Dyke. It’s important to keep the dialogue open on this dreadful disease and work towards finding a cure.”

Cynthia Cooper-Dyke, whose mother passed away from breast cancer, played for Coach Kay Yow when the U.S. women’s Olympic basketball team won Gold in 1988 and supports the Fund through the Coaches vs. Cancer Program.

Across the country Morgan Stanley Smith Barney employees support a number of charitable organizations including some that promote cancer awareness. More information can be found on the Morgan Stanley Smith Barney Women Financial Advisors Forum website at

<http://womenfaforum.morganstanleysmithbarney.com>.

Those interested in attending this event may RSVP at MSSB.NBD.Events@morganstanley.com or call (914) 225-8305.

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