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Bernie's own Becky Dennington was also on hand to autograph her book chronicling her journey with cancer, "Me and the Ugly C."

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