Domino

Inspiration is wonder driven by an outside force to achieve something great. Inspiration fuels motivation. So, in a way inspiration is motivation. And, Motivation is finding the integrity support and knowledge to put a man on the moon. Motivation is excelling in your sport, field, or passion and overachieving. Without overachieving there would be no competitions, technology and the Wright brothers wouldn't have taken flight. The world runs on motivation and overachieving but they must be inspired. Inspiration is like the first domino in the chain reaction. Once inspiration affects the person the domino reaction that follows is life-changing; no, the reaction is world changing. Every person needs that push to change the world driven by inspiration. Personally, my inspiration to be the best I can be was not from my dad, my mom or anyone in my family like most people say. My extra push in that domino chain was a wonderful determined an inspirational young girl named Mya.

Many if not all of you know who Mya was but she changed my life along with many others. "Every champion and was once a contender that refuse to give up" Rocky Balboa Mya refused to give up and she kept fighting and in my eyes she is a true champion. How she lived her life is more than any of us have or will unless something or someone drives us to exceed our limitations. She drove herself to achieve with the help of her parents family and strong community behind her but that is what made her so much better than most people. Any one person who can bring a community together in spite of their differences is a true warrior.

Limitations only exist if you let them and Mya didn't let them.  If I can live half the life Mya did I would be more than happy. In Mya’s short time walking on this earth she lived more than any one of us in this room and she will continue to live vicariously through this community. Her attitude and refusal to Never Ever Give Up lives up to a famous quote by Mark Twain "It's not the size of the dog in the fight; it's the size of the fight in the dog" She changed I can do it into I will do it. If her attitude of saying what challenges you changes you is not inspiring then I don't know what it is.

My challenge to you is to find what drives you to push on and start that domino reaction. Mya was my outside force that drove me to try and achieve greatness. The first step is to find that force that put a man on the moon and the other is to step outside your comfort zone to achieve greatness and be inspired. If there is one major life lesson I learned from Mya it is that life doesn't get easier; you get stronger. So take what inspires you change it to what motivates you, overachieve and Never Ever Give Up.