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Subject: Request for Proclamation – April 11 as World Parkinson’s Day

Dear [Name],

Each year, people worldwide recognize April 11 as World Parkinson’s Day to honor the millions living with Parkinson’s Disease and the dedicated professionals, caregivers, and advocates working tirelessly to support them. On behalf of the Global Alliance to End Parkinson’s Disease (PD Avengers), I respectfully request that you proclaim **April 11, 2026, as World Parkinson’s Day in [Location]**.

This proclamation would unite our community in raising awareness of Parkinson’s Disease, which impacts more than one million Americans. It would also highlight the urgent need for continued research in prevention, treatment, and—ultimately—a cure, while underscoring the importance of education and advocacy to combat this progressive neurological condition.

Parkinson’s Disease is the second most common neurodegenerative disease, with symptoms ranging from tremors and rigidity to depression, sleep disorders, and cognitive decline. Currently, there is no treatment to slow or stop the disease. The economic burden is staggering—exceeding \$58 billion annually—with nearly half borne by the federal government and the rest by American families.

By proclaiming April 11, 2026, as World Parkinson’s Day, you will help focus attention on the need for prevention, early diagnosis, better treatments, expanded community support, and, most importantly, hope for a cure. If possible, we ask you to consider a **perpetual designation** of April 11 as World Parkinson’s Day.

We respectfully request receipt of the proclamation by **[Date, e.g., March 15]** to allow time for media outreach and coordination of awareness events.

Thank you for your leadership and for considering this opportunity to inspire hope for the millions of people and families affected by Parkinson’s Disease. Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Kind regards,

[Your Name]

Global Alliance to End Parkinson’s Disease: PD Avengers

Email: [Your Email]

Enclosed: Draft Proclamation

Proclamation Template

A Proclamation Designating April 11, 2026, as World Parkinson's Day

Whereas, Parkinson's Disease is caused by a combination of genetic and environmental factors and manifests in motor challenges such as tremors, rigidity, and slowness of movement, as well as non-motor symptoms including depression, sleep disorders, cognitive decline, and difficulty swallowing; there is no cure.

Whereas, Parkinson's Disease affects more than one million Americans and is the second most common neurodegenerative condition in the United States;

Whereas, Parkinson's Disease costs the United States more than \$58 billion annually, with nearly half borne by the federal government and the remainder by American families;

Whereas, the prevalence of Parkinson's Disease is expected to nearly double by 2037, increasing the burden on families, communities, and the nation;

Whereas, millions of caregivers, family members, and loved ones are deeply impacted by Parkinson's Disease and work tirelessly to provide care and support;

Whereas, prevention efforts addressing environmental risk factors, early diagnosis, expanded education, and access to community-based support services are essential to improving quality of life and advancing progress toward a cure;

Whereas, lighting buildings, bridges, and other landmarks in vibrant blue on April 11—World Parkinson's Day—serves as a visible symbol of hope and unity for individuals and families impacted by Parkinson's Disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, [Name, Title], do hereby proclaim April 11, 2026, as World Parkinson's Day in [Location].

I call upon individuals, communities, healthcare professionals, and organizations, both public and private, to observe this day with appropriate activities, including the lighting of landmarks in vibrant blue, to raise awareness and inspire action toward ending Parkinson's Disease.

SIGNED this ___ day of _____, 2026.

[Title]

Attest: