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**RE: Request to light [Landmark] for Global Porphyria Day- May 18, 2024**

To whom it may concern,

We are writing to request that [LANDMARK] lit purple on May 18th in honour of Global Porphyria Day. Global Porphyria Day is organized by the [Global Porphyria Advocacy Coalition (GPAC)](https://gpac-porphyria.org) and its members. [Information about your organization].

Porphyria is a group of rare blood disorders that have a wide range of symptoms. It can take years or even decades to get a diagnosis, and during that time patients suffer with strange symptoms. They may be told that their symptoms are “all in their head” while they suffer from, among other things, unbearable abdominal pain, or feel like their skin is on fire when exposed to sunlight.

Global Porphyria Day (previously International Porphyria Awareness Week) aims to raise awareness of porphyria, and advocate for access to care and treatment for porphyria patients around the world. This year we are lighting the world purple for porphyria. Lighted landmarks, including [LANDMARK] will be featured on our social media and our website in posts about the Global Porphyria Day.

The requested colours are: [colour codes]

More information about Global Porphyria Day is available at gpac-porphyria.org/global-porphyria-day

Thank you for your consideration,

[Your name, title and organization]