[HOME TOWN/CITY NAME] LOCAL’S 30 FOR 30 CHALLENGE TO MARK CHARITY ANNIVERSARY

A [HOME TOWN/CITY NAME] local will be taking part in the 30 for 30 challenge to help mark the 30th Anniversary of UK charity, PSPA.

[ADD IN YOUR NAME] from [ADD IN THE AREA OF YOUR TOWN/CITY] will be helping to mark the charity’s milestone anniversary by completing a 30 themed challenge [ADD IN DATE(S) OF CHALLENGE]. To do this [ADD IN FIRST NAME] will be [ADD IN SHORT CHALLENGE SUMMERY – I.E. RUNNING 30 EVENTS IN 2024] raising vital funds and awareness for the charity which was registered with the charity commission 30 years ago.

PSPA was founded in April 1994 by Brigadier Michael Koe after his wife Sara was diagnosed with a rare neurological condition called Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP). Michael found at the time of Sara’s diagnosis there was no awareness of the condition and also little support for families affected. He wanted this to change.

The aim of the 30 for 30 challenge is to mark 30th Anniversary of PSPA’s support as a charity. In addition, it is also a great opportunity to raise awareness of PSP and related condition Corticobasal Degeneration (CBD).

 [ADD IN YOUR FIRST NAME], said: “ADD IN A QUOTE DETAILING YOUR DIAGNOSIS JOURNEY AND HOW THIS IMPACTED ON YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE CARE AND SUPPORT. IF YOU ARE HOLDING A WALK OF HOPE EVENT, SHARE DETAILS OF THE DATE AND LOCATION. YOU MIGHT ALSO LIKE TO SHARE THE DIFFERENCE YOU HOPE SHARING YOUR EXPERIENCE/HOLDING A WALK OF HOPE EVENT WILL MAKE.

Rebecca Packwood, PSPA CEO, said: “30 years ago, Michael, our founder, established PSPA, a UK charity with the aim of creating a better future for everyone affected by PSP & CBD.

The landscape for affected families has improved, thanks to Michael’s hard work and dedication. But there is still much to do.

Too many people, in fact 60% according to our 2022 survey, still receive a misdiagnosis. There are no standards of care for people living with PSP or CBD. And, currently no treatment is available to delay or stop the conditions in their tracks. We want this to change.

In 30 years’ time, we want to be able to look back and see the difference we have made; helping people receive a diagnosis faster and that people living with a diagnosis, receive appropriate care and support which is co-ordinated, has continuity, and is compassionate.

The 30 for 30 challenge is a unique opportunity for people to get involved in making this change for the PSP & CBD community. Raising funds and much needed awareness across the UK. We can’t wait to see what challenges people take on for PSPA.”

For more information about PSPA’s history and the 30 for 30 challenge, please visit: [www.pspassociation.org.uk](http://www.pspassociation.org.uk)