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Dear Friend of NPF:

I'm writing to share an opportunity the National Parkinson Foundation (NPF) thinks will be of interest to you. 23andMe, a personal genetics company, is launching an innovative Parkinson's disease research project. The goal is to use the genetic information of those with Parkinson's to enhance our understanding of the disease and accelerate new discoveries and therapeutic breakthroughs.

The partnership between NPF and 23andMe will allow up to 10,000 people with Parkinson's to receive a reduced rate of membership to the Personal Genome Service. The reduced rate of \$25 is only for people who have been diagnosed by a physician, but we encourage non-patients to spread the word to people with PD. This discount is due to the generous support of Google co-founder Sergey Brin.

Attached is a letter from the co-founders of 23andMe. We encourage you to read it, and also to visit the 23andMe web site, www.23andMe.com/pd to learn more about their project, their terms of service, consent form, and privacy policy. The decision to learn about your own genome is a personal matter, and only you can decide if this opportunity is right for you.

If you decide that you would like to participate in the project, visit www.parkinson.org and fill out the online form to request a code to use to access the \$25 price.

For over 50 years, the National Parkinson Foundation has worked to improve the quality of care for people with Parkinson's disease through research, education and outreach. NPF is excited about this partnership and is committed to advancing this research about how our genes and environment influence Parkinson's disease.

Sincerely,



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