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HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON SW1A 0AA

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Dear Contribute,

RE: ALZHEIMER'S

Thank you for your recent correspondence in respect of Alzheimer's. I have read your comments with interest.

An estimated one million people will be living with dementia by 2025, so research is crucial to understanding the condition and improving outcomes for those affected. I was proud to stand on a manifesto that committed to doubling dementia research funding and finding a cure for dementia.

In memory of the late Dame Barbara Windsor, the Government launched a new mission in 2022 to put this into practice. Research funding for dementia will rise to a total of £160 million a year by 2024, with an additional £95 million being provided to increase clinical trials and research projects.

A new taskforce – made up of industry, the NHS, academia and families affected by dementia – will lead this work to allocate funding. You can register your interest to take part through the Join Dementia Research website here:

<https://www.joindementiaresearch.nihr.ac.uk/>.

Finally, the Government has announced its intention to develop and publish a 'Major Conditions Strategy'. The strategy will set out a strong and coherent policy agenda that sets out a shift to integrated, whole-person care. Interventions set out in the strategy will aim to alleviate pressure on the health system, as well as support the Government's objective to increase healthy life expectancy and reduce ill-health related labour market inactivity. Dementia is one of the six major conditions included in the strategy.

On the 17th May 2023, the Government launched its call for evidence for the 'Major Conditions Strategy', which ran until the 27th June. The Government is analysing the responses and will respond shortly.

Once again, thank you for having taken the time to contact me and if I can ever be of any further assistance to you then please do not hesitate to contact me again.

With best wishes,
A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Pursglove'.

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