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Local Family Impacted by Rare Disease and Supported by International Nonprofit Asks You to *Pause for The GFPD* this October 5th

Who: AGE-year-old, NAME, lives in NAME OF CITY with HER/HIS family and is one of fewer than 1,000 children living worldwide with a peroxisomal disorder. Peroxisomal disorders are rare, genetic disorders impacting nearly every system in the body and they are almost always terminal in early childhood. Peroxisomal disorders cause a range of symptoms, such as deafness, blindness, global developmental delays, adrenal insufficiency, neurological complications, and feeding issues. There is no cure for this devastating disease.

What: On October 5th, the LAST NAME family is participating in *Pause for the GFPD*, an annual observance day that raises public awareness of, and recognizes the individuals and families affected by, peroxisomal disorders. The Global Foundation for Peroxisomal Disorders (GFPD) is an international nonprofit organization that supports families impacted by, promotes awareness of, and raises funds for research into treatments and a cure for peroxisomal disorders.

When: October 5, 2026 **Where:** Worldwide

Why: The GFPD is improving the lives of hundreds of individuals with peroxisomal disorders (and their families) around the world by funding research and championing scientific collaboration, while also empowering families and professionals through educational programs and support services. Please help the GFPD – and our global community of patients, families, caregivers, scientists, and medical professionals – raise awareness about the need for treatments and cures for this rare, genetic, and terminal disease.

Coverage: Interviews with PARENT NAMES are available. Ryan Maple, Executive Director of the GFPD, can also be available for phone or video interviews.

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About GFPD

The Global Foundation for Peroxisomal Disorders (GFPD) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charity founded in 2010 to support families affected by peroxisomal disorders and to directly fund medical research to work towards advances in treatment and a cure. For more information on this disease and the groundbreaking work the GFPD is doing around the world, please visit <http://www.thegfpd.org>.

