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Wisconsin Parkinson Association Teams Up with Brewers Pitcher Jacob Misorowski to Raise Awareness and Charitable Support

The Wisconsin Parkinson Association (WPA) is proud to announce its partnership with Milwaukee Brewers pitcher, Jacob Misorowski, in a new initiative to raise awareness and charitable support for those affected by Parkinson's disease. One of baseball's most electrifying young talents, Misorowski is lending his voice to a cause that hits close to home, as his father, Tom, was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2014.

"This is a cause that's obviously very important and deeply personal to me," said Misorowski. "I'm hopeful that through this partnership we'll be able to raise awareness and help families dealing with this horrible disease."

More than 20,000 people in Wisconsin are living with Parkinson's disease. The WPA works to connect individuals and families to the resources, education, and support they need to navigate the challenges of the diagnosis and live life to the fullest. Through outreach, advocacy, and community-based programming, the WPA helps ensure that no one has to face Parkinson's alone. Jacob's star power will help reinforce this message.

"Jacob's passion for this cause is as powerful as his arm," said WPA's Executive Director, Kelly Cieslak. "He understands the toll Parkinson's can take on a family, and he's stepping up to help others walking the same path. His support will help raise awareness for Parkinson's, amplify our mission, and expand our reach throughout the state of Wisconsin and beyond. We couldn't be more excited for this partnership!"

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Misiowski, whose record-setting MLB debut earned him a 2025 All-Star nod in his rookie season, will participate in a variety of events and initiatives, including a ball signing to benefit the Wisconsin Parkinson Association.

Watch for further updates on upcoming events with Jacob Misiowski at Facebook.com/WIParkinson or the WPA website, www.WIParkinson.org

Wisconsin Parkinson Association's Executive Director, Kelly Cieslak, is available for interviews. Please call Terry Schuster at (262) 352-4539.

Facts about Parkinson's Disease

- Parkinson's disease is a progressive neurological condition marked by four main symptoms: tremor, slowness of movement, stiffness, and balance problems. It also may include non-motor issues like fatigue, depression and sleep disturbances.
- It is the second most common neurodegenerative disease in the United States, after Alzheimer's.
- Current estimates for the US indicate that approximately one million people are affected by this disease, and the prevalence is expected to rise to 1.2 million people by 2030.
- Research suggests that the cause of Parkinson's disease is a combination of genetic and environmental factors, but the exact cause and progression of the disease is still unknown.
- There is currently no cure but PD symptoms can be managed by medication, and research has shown that disease progression can be slowed by exercise.
- It is estimated that the economic burden of Parkinson's disease is at least \$52 billion annually, including direct and indirect costs, including treatment, social security payments and lost income, to patients and family members.

WPA's mission is to provide hope, community, support, and resources for people with Parkinson's and their loved ones, helping them to live their best lives. For more information, go to: www.wiparkinson.org.

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