**[Date] 2024**

Dear [full name of MP] MP,

**Immunodeficiency and plasma donation**

I am writing to you as one of your constituents to invite you to attend a parliamentary event to raise awareness about the importance of plasma donation and how it saves lives. The event will take place on **Wednesday 20th March 2024**.

This topic is extremely important to me because I am affected by [the primary immunodeficiency, name of the condition] [or secondary immunodeficiency] and rely on a medicine known as immunoglobulin, which is made from human plasma, to keep me well. [Maybe add a couple of sentences on why immunoglobulin is important to you and the difference it has made to your health].

Primary immunodeficiencies (PIDs) are a group of rare diseases. People with PID have an immune system that does not work properly, causing the body to produce too few or no functioning immunoglobulins. This means that people with PID are more likely to suffer from severe and repeated infections than those who are not affected.

Therapies derived from plasma are life-saving treatments for people with PIDs, secondary immunodeficiency and approximately 50 other medical conditions. I support the charity Immunodeficiency UK, and you can find more about these conditions at www.immunodeficiencyuk.org.

There will be many people living and working in your constituency that rely on medicines made from plasma. The UK currently relies on Europe and America for much of its plasma, but – as an essential medicine for children and adults in the UK – the aim is to ensure that the UK has a plasma supply to meet its own needs. This requires a huge increase in donations and your support is important in helping to achieve this.

I would like it if you, my MP, would attend this important event to highlight the need for plasma donations in the UK, as well as increase awareness of immunodeficiency. The event is organised by Immunodeficiency UK in association with NHS Blood and Transplant. You should have already received a “save the date” from NHS Blood and Transplant.

**Wednesday 20 March 2024, 13:30 to 16:00**

**Thames Pavilion room**

**This event is kindly sponsored by Munira Wilson MP**

Please let me know if you will attend.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

[full name and address]