Subject Line: National Epilepsy Week.

Dear Deputy/Senator,

I hope you are keeping well. I am contacting you regarding National Epilepsy Week which takes place between 24th -30th May.

I am a supporter of Epilepsy Ireland and I understand that they have been in direct contact with you recently identifying some of the key issues which are facing people with epilepsy and their families.

***(If applicable, use this next paragraph to outline your own personal connection with epilepsy and if you have had direct experience of the issues which we have identified. For example:***

*I am a person with epilepsy living in in your constituency and I wanted to contact you directly to outline my support for addressing the issues which Epilepsy Ireland have put forward. I have personal experience of the issue surrounding Free Travel and I cannot express how difficult the loss of a license can be. Access to free travel would significantly ease the burden facing many people with epilepsy in this situation.*

*I have a child with epilepsy who is in their leaving cert year and I am immensely concerned about the current situation should they have a seizure during their exam.*

***(If there is another issue facing you which we have not outlined as part of our contact with representatives, you could also raise this as part of your contact with your local representative.)***

As my local representative, I would ask that you seek to have all the issues identified by Epilepsy Ireland addressed and would encourage you to please reach out to Epilepsy Ireland to discuss these further. Epilepsy Ireland’s Advocacy & Communications Manager Paddy McGeoghegan can be reached on [pmcgeoghegan@epilepsy.ie](mailto:pmcgeoghegan@epilepsy.ie).

Thank you for your attention to this and I hope that me, my family & friends can depend on your support in having these matters addressed. I look forward to hearing from you on same.

Yours sincerely,

Full name

Contact Details

Full Address

***(We always recommend that you provide contact details and your address in contact with elected representatives. This lets them know that you are a local person and that the issues you have contacted them on are facing people within their local communities).***