

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Councilmembers, My comment is on today's commendatory resolution for the City of LA to officially recognize International Long Covid Awareness Day. I'm one of 268 thousand Angelenos with Long Covid, and the 64 thousand who are significantly limited by this illness. It took a lot of effort, planning, and pacing to get here today. That's why this is such a important moment for the Long Covid community. An illness that has over 200 documented symptoms is not invisible, and today the City of Los Angeles decides to reflect Long Covid's reality and its impact on the people of the city. So along with 23 organizations, 350 signatures, and all 268 thousand Angelenos with Long Covid, I submit this petition to support the annual recognition of International Long Covid Awareness Day on March 15th, and lighting City Hall in teal, the symbolic color of Long Covid. Thank you, Sara Johnson Los Angeles, CA

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Los Angeles City Council Meeting

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Los Angeles, CA

Petition for LA to Recognize "International Long Covid Awareness Day"

 actionnetwork.org/petitions/petition-for-la-to-recognize-international-long-covid-awareness-day

The LA City Council



March 15 is International Long Covid Awareness Day. Los Angeles should join the State of CA and other cities already recognizing it. Signing this petition tells the City Council that we want Long Covid acknowledged and City Hall lit teal in observance. All signatures encouraged, no matter where you live.

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Los Angeles should join the State of California and the global community in officially recognizing March 15 as International Long Covid Awareness Day and lighting City Hall teal in observance. We call on the Los Angeles City Council to introduce and adopt a motion designating this annual recognition and directing the illumination of City Hall. We invite any willing Councilmember to sponsor this ceremonial motion, which follows established City practice for awareness day recognitions and City Hall illuminations.

Long Covid affects tens of thousands of Angelenos, although the City has never formally acknowledged it. Cities around the world already observe this international day, lighting skylines and landmarks in teal, the symbolic color of Long Covid. Los Angeles should do the same by making Long Covid visible, validating those living with it, and showing the City's commitment to supporting affected residents.

We respectfully ask the Los Angeles City Council to:

- Introduce and adopt a motion designating March 15 as International Long Covid Awareness Day in Los Angeles.
- Direct the illumination of Los Angeles City Hall in teal each year on March 15.

This recognition is a meaningful step toward visibility, acknowledgment, and public understanding for Angelenos living with Long Covid.

Endorsed by all signers herein and partners including:

- ACE Coalition
- Air Support Project
- Clean Air Club
- Clean Air LA
- Clear the Air ATX (CTA)
- COVID-19 Longhailer Advocacy Project (C19LAP)
- DSA-LA Climate Justice Committee
- Fight For the Future
- International Long Covid Awareness
- Long Covid Families
- Long Covid Foundation
- Long COVID Justice / S4HI
- Marked by COVID
- MaskTogetherAmerica
- Open Medicine Foundation
- Pan End It!
- Patient-Led Research Collaborative
- Public Health Awakened
- Senior & Disability Action
- Solve ME/CFS Initiative (Solve ME)
- The Wayside
- World Health Network

First name	Last name	Country	Comments
Lauren	Christy	US	
Alexander	Adams	US	
Violet	Affleck	US	
Arielle	Agee	US	
Allison	Alvarez	US	
Bonny	Amor	CA	From Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Michael	Anaheim	US	
Nichole	Anderson	US	
Arielle	Andreano	US	
Itra	Ansour	CA	
Michelle	Apostol	US	
Luis	Ariza	US	
Lori	Aronsohn	US	
Susan	Ashley	US	
Michael	Askren	US	
Monique	Aube	CA	
Emma	Aveling	US	As a researcher studying Long COVID around the world, one sadly consistent finding is the invisibilisation of Long COVID. It's erasure redoubles the burden for the MILLIONS of people around the world living with an often debilitating chronic condition for which we are yet to find effective treatments. Raising awareness is a first but crucial step towards ensuring people with Long COVID have the dignified quality of life they - like everyone - deserve.
Kristal	Bailey	US	
Naomi	Bar-Yam	US	
Yaneer	Bar-Yam	US	
Crystal	Baranyk	US	Long Covid is real, but not one of my doctors has ever asked me about my symptoms during and after COVID at Kaiser. Clearly the government needs to acknowledge it, or big business will do nothing.
Marissa	Barbadoro	US	
Elizabeth	Barrios	US	
Cara	Batema	US	
Nina	Bazyler	US	
Kyla	Beck	CA	
Trude	Bennett	US	
Oni	Blackstock	US	
Frank	Blancero	US	
Frank	Blancero	US	
Seven	Blond	PT	
Christine	Brewer	US	
Don	Briggs	US	
Jean	Brinkmann	US	

Jody	Britt	US	Long Covid is the number one chronic illness for children at this point long Covid at minimum has disabled 60 million Americans and worldwide. It's in the hundreds of millions are permanently disabled by myself was disabled by Covid in the first wave in New York City. I have not been able to receive any effective treatment for almost 6 years. This is an abomination, and this mass disabling event continues without any protection from our government. They've decided to place profits and capitalism's over people's lives. As a person who is experienced severe long Covid for almost 6 years now I beg you there are 60 million long Covid patients who have been permanently disabled by Covid. The numbers keep rising we need awareness. We have no treatments, and this current administration is burying the numbers of Long Covid and children, which is outrageous. It is the number one illness for children now chronic illness for children is long Covid. Something must be done now. It is too late to wait anymore. Millions more will die and suffer and we will have no economy because no one will be able to work. I've been disabled for six years now with long Covid. I survived the first wave in New York City, which was extremely bc just died. I was sent home to die by the hospital because I could breathe, but they sent me home with a severe heart condition and I have yet to recover. I've lost everything of importance in my life, family friends job career home finances I was almost left homeless It took 2 1/2 years for me to get approved for disability and I get maybe under \$2000 to live off of Long Covid is a severe disease that disabled at least 20 to 30% of people who are infected with Covid and it is the number one disability for children at this time As an undercount, there are 60 million long Covid patients currently in the United States as of last year with this current wave that will be coming in the winter and in the summer we can expect that number to increase exponentially. There is no treatment for long Covid. Still, the disablement percentage is high many are losing all health insurance and income due to the administration. Long Covid awareness also speaks to ending fascism.
Kristen	Brown	US	
Kelly-Anne	Bryan	US	
Jordan	Bunn	US	Have the courage to face reality with us! Thank you.
Crystal	C	US	
F	C	US	For more than half a decade, people around the world have had to endure the traumatic onset of COVID. To experience such extreme circumstances with no true acknowledgement has certainly taken its toll on the way people treat each and themselves. It's likely that everyone knows at least one person who passed away because of it. Uniquely, COVID deaths happen both suddenly and slowly over time. What is now known as Long COVID, is wreaking havoc for people young and old. And yet, we've collectively pushed this reality into the background. Our entire social fabric has changed in irreversible ways and its time to formally address it.
Jeff	C	US	
Rosa	C	US	
W	C	US	
Stacy	Calderon	US	
Sarah	Caporin	US	
Cristina	Cardone	US	

Cynthia	Carlomagno	US	As a lifelong resident of Los Angeles, I request you please honor, long Covid awareness day I was a healthy, high-level athlete in the prime of my life when I was infected with SARS-2 IN MARCH 2020. I now have extensive organ damage and have lost one of my kidneys to this disease. Did you know that SARS-2 is oncogenic? That,Ãs right! I now have cancer and I,Ãm treated at the city of Hope cancer center. According to my physicians, my cancer is direct result of the Covid infection. Please respect and honor the virus that is killing millions globally The pandemic never ended,Ã just because people wanted it to. It is still here and disabling millions every year. We need better awareness and we need public health to explain to people why wearing a respirator is the only thing that will protect you from infection of a BSL3 virus. Maybe someone in public health will step up. Bring back masking in healthcare., please. Thank you
Cassandra	Carlson	US	This is a crisis. There needs to be more awareness. Please show that Los Angeles remembers all those living with Long COVID. My loved one, who lives in LA County, has suffered for years with Long Covid. It has ruined his life. Love We must urgently implement protections to prevent infection and identify effective treatment for SARS2 and it,Ãs lasting impacts. Long COVID is an understudied but major concern as a global society as nearly all living humans on earth have been affected by COVID. It is essential we stop ignoring the existence of Long COVID and start taking steps towards recognizing this grave issue. For the millions missing from daily life because of this terrible disease. May this observance make us no longer out of sight of mind I experienced long Covid for a year after my initial infection. It was one of the worst years of my life and there was a major lack of support for me as a resident of LA. It was impossible to join a study or even have my experience recorded as long Covid. We must honor and recognize everyone. Long Covid Awareness Day is an important step to recognize those dealing with health needs. Please recognize this day for so many people who are suffering and will suffer because of Long Covid.
karen	carnessali	US	
Stephanie	Case	US	
Naomi	Castellon Perez	US	
Maryann	Castle	US	
Paloma	Castro	US	
Janice	Cavanaugh	US	
Kat	Cearley	NO	
Terri	Charles	US	
Theresa	Cheng	US	
Leslie	Chilenski	US	
Anita	Chowdhury	US	
Jennifer	Clarke	US	
Laura	Clarke	US	
Newman	Clarke	US	
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Sara	Cohen	US	
Anisia	Corona	US	
James	Cortes	US	
Tessa	Cremer	US	
Anna	Czosnyka	US	
Maddie	D	US	
Alysia	Dagrosa	US	
Joanne	DeCaro	US	
Shannon	Deegan	US	
Isabelle	Delgado Juez	ES	
Sophie	Delhaes	CA	
Catherine	DeLorey	US	
Jess	Demcsak	US	

Theress	Dettloff	US	My life and body have been destroyed by long covid. Many people have been disabled by this.
Priscilla	Diaz	CA	
Hoi	Doan	US	
Chance	Douglas	US	
Kathleen	Downes	US	
Kathryn	Downie	US	
Katie	Drackert	US	
Teal	Drake	US	
Marie	Dumy	FR	
Eliana	Durham	US	
Jamie	Ehrlich-Simm	US	
Cheryl	Elmer	US	
Geo	Escano	CA	
Shanahan	Europa	US	
Lia	Evans	US	
Michelle	Felix	US	This means so, so much!! Thank you for doing this!
Kaycee	Felton-Lui	US	
Jessica	Ferguson	US	
Lauren	Flans	US	
Ursula	Floden	US	Long Covid has now overtaken asthma as the number one childhood illness. This is unacceptable. We need to bring clean air technologies to all shared community spaces, starting with classrooms, where it has been determined that 70% of COVID transmissions start. A day of awareness is a great start for exposing these very disturbing truths. I fully stand behind a Day of Awareness! Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Ursula (a mom and Long Covid survivor)
Joaquin	Flores	US	
Malia	Flores	US	
Roberto	Flores	US	It,Äôs shameful that Los Angeles has not already moved to sign on to international long COVID awareness day. This performative action is the very least that this great city can do to support those suffering from LC. Please do the right thing.
Daniela	Fontius	ES	
Julia	Fontius	DE	
Julianne	Fowler	US	
Rebecca	Franklin	US	
Emily	Fraser	US	
Frederick	Frazier	US	
Gail	Friedland	US	
Sam	Friedman	US	
Crystal	Frost	US	
Tahnee	G	US	
Andrew	Geary	US	More and more people are infected and develop Long COVID. Those in power want us to be sick and disabled by this virus. We need to bring greater awareness to a virus that impacts all of us including children and oppose those who want us to be sick.
Lael	Gebregziabher	US	
Sara	gerges	US	
Jessica	Gerhardt	US	
Shahriar	Ghoudsifar	US	
Sophia	Gilberto	US	
Allie	Gjesdahl	US	
eanna	grant	US	
Linda	Green MD	US	I spoke at Long COVID Awareness rally at the Lincoln Memorial a couple of years ago and am pleased to support this initiative
Andy	Greene	US	
Mary Kay	Griepentrog	US	Long Covid needs to be recognized and we need to invest in research to find treatments that will help people. We need to acknowledge this in order to make any progress.
Kathleen	Groshong	US	
Siena	Grouf	US	
Karina	Halevy	US	
Leilani	Hall	US	

kelly	hanna	US	This is such an obvious thing to do. We remember HIV/AIDS so why not Long Covid?! We are in the middle of a mass disabling event due to LC and Covid has already killed more people than HIV/AIDS.
Tal	Harris	US	
William	Hatton	US	
Savannah	Henderson	US	LA has abandoned those with Long Covid. The least the city could do is recognize the day by turning on the lights.
Melanie	Henderson	US	
Paul	Hennessy	US	
Mary	Henriques	US	Long covid continues to disable millions of people every year. The bare minimum that can be done is to recognize long covid day.
Matthew	Henriques	CA	
Judy	Hernandez	US	As a California resident, I urge LA to recognise International Long Covid Awareness Day
Sarah	Hernandez	US	
Lani	Hewer	AU	
Sandy	Hildebrandt	US	
Gwendolyn	Hill	US	
Debra	Howell	US	Please recognize the importance of this and show your solidarity. Thank you.
Robert	Howell	US	
Ben	HsuBorger	US	
Erica	Ierardi	US	
Stephen	Ierardi	US	As a Family Medicine Primary Care Physician I feel we need to use any and every opportunity to raise awareness about Long Covid. I have several patients of mine who have Long Covid, and their daily struggles are very real. Looking back to before they caught the Covid-19 virus, there was nothing about any of them to suggest they were at increased risk for having their „Äroutine,Ä Covid-19 infection become Long Covid. That means Long Covid could happen to Anyone! Please help remind people to protect themselves!
Angela	Inferrera	US	Long Covid affects tens of thousands of Angelenos, although the City has never formally acknowledged it. Cities around the world already observe this international day, lighting skylines and landmarks in teal, the symbolic color of Long Covid. By taking this action, it will spread awareness to our community and nationwide, and spark conversations about prevention & mitigation.
April	Ingram	US	
Rachel	Insel	US	I have been suffering from Long Covid/ MCAS, ME/ Disautonomia ,ÄiPOTS and MORE!! ,Äi over 200 symptoms, numerous ER visits and been dismissed by doctors/ Specialists. I am no longer a California resident but I happy to sign the petition, I share the sentiment on the importance of this movement in history.
Benjamin	Irwin	US	
Ellen	Isaacs	US	
Mari	Jack	US	
RJ	Jackson	US	
Joseph	Jaggi	US	
Hillary	Jenks	US	
Josie	Jestis	US	
Nora	Johnson	US	
Sara	Johnson	US	
Veronica	Jones	US	
Elliott	Joseph	AU	As someone that does not have ME/CFS, I demand more awareness and funding to ME/CFS. This disease affects millions but is severely underfunded and stigmatized.
Yoon	Jung	US	
Julianne	Justo	US	
Kayla	K	US	

Denali	Kagel	US	The grief we all shared in the first few months of the pandemic was quickly pushed aside as more able-bodied people chose to „Äreturn to normal.„Ä The only way to find support and funding for medical assistance is if we all acknowledge the ongoing pandemic and have a day of remembrance.
Jessica	Kaushansky	US	
Victoria	Killian	US	
Jeffrey	Klausner	US	
Gwen	Klemm	US	
David	Koeth	US	
Zeynep	Korkman	US	
Katarzyna	Kowalczyk	US	Long Covid disabled people people have lost their lives to this Recognizing the ever-growing number of children and adults afflicted with the devastation of Long Covid with a day dedicated to preventing its spread by masking with N95 masks in classrooms, health care facilities, stores, and other public enclosed spaces would be a noble thing to do. Please help stop the spread of this horrible syndrome that afflicts more and more people every day. Remember Covid in not over!!
Karman	Kregloe	US	
Daniel	Kwiatkowski	AU	
Maria	La Place	US	Please institute the international long Covid awareness day. So many people have been affected by long covid and continue to get long covid. My partner has been suffering for the past three years with it. We need to raise awareness on this public health issue!
Julie	Lam	US	
Sophia	Lansky	US	
Amber	Larks	US	It,Äs a real thing
David	Larks	US	
Linda	Larks	US	
Long CoVID Euskal Herria Elkarte	LCEUS	ES	The only way to prevent Long Covid is to clean the air, mask indoors, stop spreading Covid
Antonia	Le	US	
Leila	Leigh	US	
Maya	Lindemann	US	5.5years severely disabled with Long Covid. Former athlete with a successful career. My mother is my caretaker. It has destroyed my entire life.
Anne	Lister	US	
Gillian	Lizars	US	
Alana	Lo	US	Please formally recognize long COVID, long COVID day. Support people wearing masks to prevent COVID transmission and protect your constituents with clean air initiatives.
Sheryl	Lonso	US	
Taylor	Lorenz	US	
Kelly	Ludwig	US	
Max	Lyon	US	
JC	M	US	
Jennifer	M	US	
Kristina	M	US	
Alexandra	M√°mler	FR	
Evelyn	Macias	US	
Valerie	Macias	US	
Alex	Madaras	US	
Abby	Mahler	US	
Hayk	Makhmuryan	US	
Mahfam	Malek	US	
Toni	Mar	US	
Matthea	Marquart	US	Trying to sign as Air Support Project
Anna	Marr	US	
Louise	Martin	GB	
Sarah	Masih	CO	Please recognize Long Covid!
Rachel	Masters	GB	
Tracey	Mathews	US	
Sarah	McCoy	US	
Erin	Mcgee	US	
Kate	McNulty	US	
Jacqui	Medina	US	

Beth	Meier	US	I used to be a lighting designer, before I got too sick to work from long covid. I also used to live in Echo Park and go for walks on a bridge I could see city hall from. Seeing this petition felt like a chance for my current self to be seen by the parts of me that I had to leave in the past. Symbols like this are deeply meaningful, especially to those of us with invisible disabilities. They make manifest community during experiences of deep isolation, and truth during experiences of cruel doubt. Thank you on behalf of all of us, including those of us too sick to use screens or to think of words. Your consideration alone is a light in the darkness, though of course I also hope beyond words to see teal lights in March.
Christi	Mendoza	US	
Jaimie	Mercer	AU	
Briana	Mills	US	
Nyx	Mir	US	
Arthur	Mirin	US	Mask up to protect against long Covid! Mask up
Kelly	Misek	US	
Eleanor	Monahan	US	
Amanda	Morrell	US	
PAUL	NARVAEZ	US	
Carlos	Navarrette	US	Let us not repeat the past and ignore a viral illness that has long-term consequences, only to say 10 years from now that we were wrong. Let us learn from the mistakes of the Regan administration and how they handles the AIDS crisis and take covid and long covid seriously.
Rebecca	Newton	US	
Alicia	Nguyen	US	
Emily	Nicholson	US	
Beth	Nishida	US	
Perry	Norton	US	We cannot let history repeat itself! Long-COVID awareness is more important than ever.
Uju	Nwizu	US	
Erika	Nylander	CA	
Carla	O	US	
Cassanna	O	US	
Colton	O	US	This is SO important! I have several friends who deal with the difficulties of Long Covid, in addition to other comorbidities, and increasing visibility of their experiences is fundamental in helping them to get the advocacy and care they need!
James	O	US	
Kris	O	US	
Sinead	O'Brien	IE	
Theresa	O'Connor	US	
Kris	October	US	There are people suffering immensely including myself. This needs recognition.
Leah	Olbrich	US	
Meder	Omuraliev	US	
DJanay	Oneal	US	
Alejandra	Ortiz	US	
Matt	P	US	I have had Long COVID since Dec. 2020 and there is no doctor knowledgeable or willing to treat me. There is no cure, no treatment, and no help. Millions of us around the world have been medically abandoned, and are bedbound at home and unable to work.
Joe	Pack	CA	
Michael	Palmer	US	
Nancy	Perez	US	
Olivia	Peterson	US	

Ryan	Pratt	US	As a local resident suffering 3.5 years with Long Covid, contracted in our home city and homebound as a result, it's time this disease is recognized by our elected officials. Please take action and help raise awareness about the millions of Americans disabled by this virus. Long Covid is now the #1 chronic condition in children, and we need your help.
Nicole	R	CA	
Tara	Raymond	US	
Heidi	Reuschling	US	
Samuel	Rhodehamel	US	
Allison	Riegle	US	
Allie	Rigby	US	I had COVID for 6 weeks, ended up in the hospital and almost died. It left me with several ongoing issues that have still never gone away. Covid is not a cold. It is a serious debilitating virus that has many longtime side effects such as micro clots and Long Covid.
Sabrina	Rivas	US	
Jenny	Rivera	US	
Felix	Robertson	GB	
Nicholas	Rodelo	US	
Cindy	Rodriguez	US	
Krisopher	Roe	US	Thank you, all for organizing this
Caroline	Roman	US	
Edith	Rosen	US	
Kataareena	Roska	US	
Trevor	Rost	US	
Trevor	Rost	US	
Katie	Rotolo	US	
Devin	Russell	US	
Sammy	S	US	
Yuko	Saegusa	US	
Julie	Salamon	US	
Laura	Salm	US	
James	Schier	CA	I know too many people suffering horribly from this, including a great long time friend of mine; at best it's vaguely acknowledged, and at worst denied. I very much think, and am hoping all the time that the science folks have some sort of breakthrough or come up with a shot that actually helps with or cures Long COVID. Thank you to all who made this petition; I'm more than glad to sign. Jamie from Canada
Lesa	Schultz	US	
Amira	Shaer	US	
Elisabeth	Sherman	US	
Mark	Shio	US	
Michael	Sieverts	US	
Janaki	Silva	US	
Juliana	Silva	US	
Emily	Simkovich	US	
Emily	Simmank	US	
Melissa	Smallwood	US	
Jemma	Smith	AU	
Raj	Solanki	US	Long covid and other post viral conditions has completely shredded and ripped apart the lives of so many including mines. We are left to fend for ourselves and it's not fair. We desperately need treatments and cures so we can get our lives back. The pandemic was not our fault and there are millions of us suffering from both the virus and vaccine. We need help and we need it now.
Greg	Solomon	US	
Rivka	Solomon	US	
Daria	Somers	US	
Scitt	Squires	US	Long Covid is a massive disabling event that needs to be addressed and acknowledged. Millions of people, including children, have long covid. Long covid continues to grow daily and is considered a mass disabling event. It's been 6 years.
J	Srimuang	US	

Sydney	Sweeney	US	Long Covid is impacting the lives of hundreds of millions globally, and the crisis is worsening. Now more than ever is the time to raise awareness, because no one is immune from this disabling condition!
Valerie	Sylvester	CA	Open Medicine Foundation
Andrew	Sylvester	US	
D	T	US	
Linda	Tannenbaum	US	
Annalie	Taylor	US	
Nathan	Tessitore	US	
Kaila	Trawitzki	US	
Mickey	Triffo	US	
Lauren	Truman	US	
Lilian	Tucker	US	
Jennifer	Unger	US	
Suzanne	Uratani	US	
Aura	V	US	
Winter	V.	US	
mar	val	US	
Mercedes	Valle	US	Please bring awareness to Covid 19 and Long Covid
Adam	Van Bavel	US	
Garrett	Vernon	US	
Nathan	Veshecco	US	
Joy	Vick	US	
tanya	vidhyarkorn	US	Protect everyone, A's health by instituting clean air protections. Acknowledge the damage that long COVID has done and support those in need. Covid continues to harm at the population level. Lead with health and science clarity.
Cam	Vu	US	
Sarah	Walrath	CA	I don't have long covid because I never got covid because I always mask up in public, but I support any efforts to take Covid/long covid more seriously. It, A's a real problem I continue to hope never affects me!
Aiko	Wan	US	
Laura	Ward	US	Thank you for this. This is a huge step towards a better future, and deeper understanding and respect for the damage covid is doing to the population.
Robert	Warfield	US	Long covid is still a huge problem. Not only does it deserve to be recognized, it deserves to be treated and even prevented. The best way to celebrate any potential international long covid day is to wear a mask whenever in public places
Ashleigh	Watts	US	
Cynthia	Webb	US	
Ash	Weeks	US	
Rachel	Weidringer	US	
Jess	Wellington	AU	
Victoria	Wheatley	US	
Monique	Wike	US	
Maya	Wilhelmy Sanchez	US	
Michael	Wilk	US	
Stephanie	Williams	US	
Nikole	Wilson-Ripsom	US	
Taylor	Wisham	US	
Jack	Wixom	US	
Liz	Wolf	US	
John	Womack	US	
Lia	Woodward	US	
Flora	Wright	US	

Cory	Wyszynski	US	As a sufferer of Long Covid, I would not wish this on anyone. LC has set me back years, and as I was already shackled with ME/CFS, Ehlers-Danlos, POTS, MCAS, SIBO, and Small Fiber Neuropathy--Covid was the last thing I needed. But, in 2024, when I first came down with Covid, nothing would be the same again. I lost my Gallbladder two weeks after getting Covid. Most days, I am exhausted, and some of those days, I merely exist. It is not a life. I am not living. It is a constant bare-knuckle brawl... where I fight to survive. I am not alone and that is why I am writing to you. Long Covid is a vascular disease that isn't going away anytime soon, especially with the latest actions taken by HHS, under the ever watchful eye of Robert "there's a dead F-ing bear in the back of my car" Kennedy. L.A. needs to take its place among science, the chronically ill, and the marginalized. If L.A. does this, I am sure more cities across the nation would too. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, CoRy Wyszynski
Gregory	Wyszynski	US	I am a disabled RN. I have been increasingly ill since 2021. Please recognize LC Awareness Day. Patients have worked tirelessly to be recognized under multiple governments that keep overlooking us and preventing we don't exist. Please let's change this. LC is disabling and killing. It leads to cancer, Neuro disorders/dysfunction, GI dysfunction, cardiac and pulmonary dysfunction, vascular damage, reproductive harms, vision and hearing problems, diabetes, oral and skin dysfunction and much more. Please help raise awareness by sharing our day of awareness together and acknowledge this vastly growing disease.
Michael	Yada	US	
Nora	Yakoubi	FR	
Dara	York	US	
Joel	Yoshonis	US	Need more research and folks to be recognized
Matjaæ	Zadnik	SI	
Alicia	Zamora	ES	
Jason	Zimmerman	US	
Amy	Zuccarino	US	This is incredibly important!
Jason		US	
k		US	
Kitty		US	
Patient-Led Research Collaborative		US	I can provide the PLRC logo if that would be helpful.
Regina		US	
Sam		US	