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National Aphasia Association Statement About Bruce Willis

The National Aphasia Association was saddened to hear of Bruce Willis' recent diagnosis of aphasia. As the national organization that represents all individuals living with aphasia and their families, we understand the impact of this diagnosis.

Aphasia is a disorder that can affect a person's ability to produce and/or comprehend language. There are many different forms of aphasia. All of them affect a person's ability to communicate. One type of aphasia, termed Primary Progressive Aphasia (PPA), also affects cognitive abilities.

While we are not aware of Mr. Willis' specific aphasia diagnosis, we recognize that strong family support and expert professional services have a positive impact on living successfully with aphasia.

For more information, free resources, and support, visit aphasia.org.

For media inquiries email: answers@aphasia.org.

The Mission of the National Aphasia Association is to promote public awareness and understanding of aphasia, to promote research that aims to improve the lives of people with aphasia, and to provide support to all persons with aphasia and their caregivers.

The NAA envisions a society in which aphasia is a commonly understood word and where all persons with aphasia, regardless of individual differences, their families, health professionals, and the public have access to appropriate education and resources that would enhance their potential for an acceptable quality of life.