



Cheque presented to president of MND Association

President of the Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Association, Lembit Opik MP, was presented with a cheque for £5,000 from The Hospital Saturday Fund (HSF), the charitable trust associated with HSF health plan. The cheque was presented to Lembit at the House of Commons and is to be invested in research into MND.

After receiving the cheque Lembit said: "The HSF has always been a life saver and today they've put their money behind this noble intent by giving

a hugely generous £5,000 to the cause of curing MND.

"Every penny of the money given by HSF will be matched by the Government. So, in effect, this is a £10,000 contribution to the search for a cure.

"On behalf of all those living with MND, and those who won't suffer it one day in the not-too-distant future, I thank HSF, their staff and their vision of a world free of MND. It's a vision we all share."

The Encephalitis Society proudly welcomes their first president

Actors Martin Kemp, Patron of the Encephalitis Society and Mathew Bose, Ambassador for the Encephalitis Society welcomed the first President of the Encephalitis Society, Professor Barbara Wilson, OBE. The event took place on 17 October 2007 during a cruise along the river Thames in London.

The Encephalitis Society is the only resource of its kind in the world providing direct support, information and education to people affected by encephalitis and the professionals involved in their care. On behalf of the Society, Martin Kemp welcomed Professor Barbara Wilson, OBE,

'I am delighted to welcome Professor Wilson and look forward to working with her in our quest to support people affected by encephalitis and to raise awareness of this very grave syndrome.' Professor Wilson has been a long standing clinical advisor to



Ava Easton, Development Manager, Encephalitis Society, Martin Kemp and Professor Barbara Wilson, OBE.

the Society and on her forthcoming retirement from the Medical Research Council, accepted the position of President of the Society. Professor Wilson is a clinical neuropsychologist and international expert on memory problems following acquired brain injury: 'It is a great honour to be invited to accept this position with the Encephalitis Society,' said Professor Wilson. 'In my own field of brain injury rehabilitation, the patients most frequently referred for cognitive rehabilitation are those with traumatic brain injury but after that the diagnostic group most seen are survivors of encephalitis. The professionalism and innovation shown by the Society in their quest to support and inform is quite breathtaking.'

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