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RETT SYNDROME: A different kind of "female" disorder
--Nonprofit engages youth and girls during October's Rett Syndrome Awareness Month --

Girl Power 2 Cure is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness and research funds for Rett Syndrome, a severe neurological disorder which strikes primarily girls and is considered by some the most physically disabling form of autism. The condition randomly strikes another little girl every 90 minutes, leaving them unable to speak, walk or use their hands. Medical experts consider Rett Syndrome research the key to understanding related disorders such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's.

Girl Power 2 Cure, Inc. was started in 2006 by Ingrid Harding, mother of a little girl with Rett Syndrome, with a mission to raise awareness and funds to combat a disorder that affects close to half a million girls and women worldwide.

"All kinds of groups are joining in our Girl Power 2 Cure movement: Girl Scouts, schools, girl's and women's clubs and even Roller Derby Teams," says Harding, Founder and Executive Director.

Considering Rett Syndrome has been proven reversible in lab mice, awareness isn't just about learning about this devastating syndrome, it is about joining in a winnable fight. Rett Syndrome is poised to be the first curable neurological disorder.

About *Rett Syndrome*:

Rett Syndrome is a severe neurological disorder that almost exclusively affects females. Every 90 minutes another little girl is born "normal," only to be robbed of her ability to speak, walk, crawl, and use her hands between the ages of 1 and 3. Complications include seizures, sudden death in their sleep and scoliosis.

Rett Syndrome is caused by a single spontaneous gene mutation that any baby girl has an equal chance of acquiring. It is considered the most physically disabling of the autism spectrum disorders and is as prevalent as Cystic Fibrosis, ALS and Huntington's Disease. There is no treatment, but in 2007 researchers proved in the lab that Rett Syndrome can be reversed, giving it the potential to be the first curable neurological disorder and playing a key role in understanding other neurological disorders such as Alzheimer's, Schizophrenia and Parkinson's.

About *Girl Power 2 Cure*:

Girl Power 2 Cure, Inc. is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness and funds for treatments and a cure for Rett Syndrome, a devastating neurological disorder that almost exclusively affects girls.

We are committed to making Rett Syndrome the first reversible neurological disorder by harnessing the spirit of girls to support fellow girls who are suffering. We support girls in the planning and implementation of events that raise awareness and funds for Rett Syndrome research, as well as support Rett families with resources, fundraising help and awareness tools.

Our inspiration is our flower: always in bloom with hope and positive energy, ready to grow anywhere there is someone ready to join in our mission.

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