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Letters to the Editor

Kudos to Porter Center

To the editor.

Upon being invited to a function at the Milton Porter Center, of the Tecumseh Schools, we checked to determine if they had any CFL bulbs, which cause me to have serious medical issues.

The person who called over there was told that they "do not have them. They cause seizures in children."

Thank you to the good people of the Porter Center for being sensitive to the needs of folks with disabilities and acquired brain injuries.

It was most gratifying to know that they are informed as to the multiplicity of the deleterious effects of CFLs, which range from triggering migraines, seizures, multiple sclerosis, dizziness/vestibular problems, cardiac arrhythmias, tremors, anxiety/panic attacks, and autism to name but a few. The website www.cflimpact.com has a more comprehensive list, along with a number of scientific studies.

A prominent physiatrist, in Ann Arbor, says that he is convinced that more people are impacted by CFLs than are in wheelchairs, but they have yet to correlate the cause and effect.

Hopefully this awareness will spread among the business community

and places of public accommodation so that they discontinue the use of CFLs (try LED bulbs instead) and allow people with disabilities to frequent their establishments. One wonders if merchants are aware of the environmental issues to which patrons and the store's merchandise/food supply would be contaminated by just one broken CFL.

Also, our returning heroes who have acquired brain injuries, from IEDs and such have a greater likelihood to sensitivity to these same issues.

Thank you, again, to the fine people at the Porter Center. Your sensitivity is appreciated.

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