



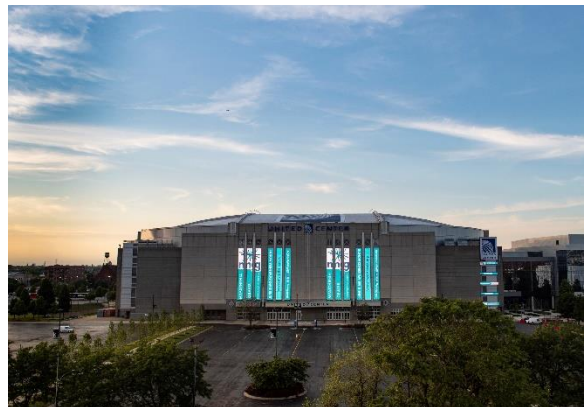
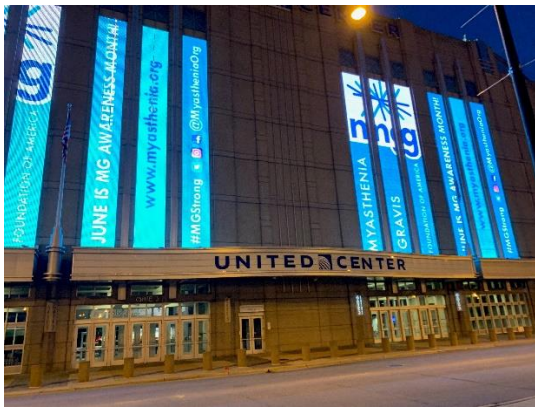
## **MG Community “Lights the Map Teal” in over half the nation for June Awareness Month!**

What began in the beginning of June as a blank United States map illuminated and transcended to 26 states “lit up teal” across the nation as a result of the tremendous and impressive work by our MG community of volunteers, support group leaders and members, who all raised awareness efforts within their cities, parishes, and states to make June **#MGStrong**.

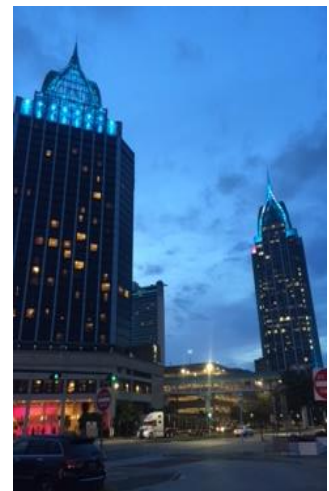
In an inaugural campaign, the Myasthenia Gravis Foundation of America (MGFA) asked our communities to help light up their states teal on our digital map by completing any one of the following tasks:

- **Lighting Up Teal:** corporate buildings, sports stadiums, bridges or street lights
- **Proclamation Nation:** establishing city, town, and state proclamations
- **Press Coverage:** receiving any press around June Awareness; newspaper, magazine articles or TV station interviews (MG Walk promotion included here too!)
- **DIY Fundraising:** complete a Do-It-Yourself fundraiser during the month of June
- **Showing Support:** send us your support group meeting photo with everyone dressed in teal

From illuminating sports stadiums, business buildings and street lights, to garnering city, town and state proclamations, and being a part of more than 15 newspaper and online publication articles, the messages of #MGStrong and Myasthenia Gravis awareness spread worldwide and were fast and furious in 2019.



For the second consecutive year, the United Center in Chicago, where the Bulls and Blackhawks play, displayed #MGStrong signage all along the outside of the arena and LED display boards, and also lit up the arena teal. Barbara Wilson lit multiple buildings teal in Mobile, Alabama; Donnalee Whitaker helped light up the Legislative Hall in Dover, Delaware; and Sharon Byrge had her annual hand in lighting up several streets in Knoxville, Tennessee. Special thanks to a Superwoman MG warrior Paula McGinnis who completed these awareness efforts in five different states – Illinois, Kentucky, Hawaii, Wyoming, and Tennessee.



**WE THANK ALL OF YOU** for a very successful inaugural campaign of “Make June #MGStrong and Light the Map Teal,” and we look forward to lighting up even more states next year.

Check out our map and ways that you can gear up for 2020 June Awareness Month [here](#). Click [here](#) to see how you can get involved in awareness efforts year-round.