



We invite you to support a **Blue Plaque** for 21 Eccleston Square, Sir Clements R. Markham's London house.

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Dear Friend, Colleague, Geographer or Polar Enthusiast,

I AM WRITING to invite you to support an English Heritage BLUE PLAQUE for Sir Clements Markham's house at 21 Eccleston Square, London. In doing so you will be joining those distinguished men and women listed to the left who have all agreed to be Patrons of this campaign.

You will find below information on Markham. Even more may be seen at
<http://www.antarctic-circle.org/markham.htm>

Markham and his house have been nominated for a Blue Plaque and the English Heritage Blue Plaques Panel will meet on 20 October 2010 to consider the matter. It is by no means a given. In my conversations with those who have gone through this process, it's clear that broad and substantial support, particularly from those within fields that Markham pursued, may be helpful. Many more nominations are turned down than are approved.

What are you being asked to do? To write or e-mail a letter of support—long or short—addressed to **Ms Elizabeth Wardle, Blue Plaques Administrator, English Heritage**, and sent to me at the address below and to do so by 1 August. I, in turn, will combine all letters and supporting material into an organized package and send it off to English Heritage prior to its self-imposed deadline of 16 August.

Most questions that you might have concerning the process are probably addressed at:

<http://www.antarctic-circle.org/markhamplaque.htm>

If not and for any other enquiries, please contact me at the address below or e-mail me at:

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If you represent or are associated with an organization that would make an appropriate supporter of this effort, I urge you to circulate these details, mention it in a newsletter or add it to a website. And, in any event, I hope you will share the information with friends and colleagues.

Those to whom this letter is being sent are listed by name only at
<http://www.antarctic-circle.org/markhamplaqueMailingList.htm>

All the material in this e-mailing may also be found at
<http://www.antarctic-circle.org/markhamplaqueMailPackage.htm>

Thank you very much for your support. I will contact all those who respond once English Heritage has made its decision. Let's all hope it's good news!

With kind regards,


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