

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Jack Kingston
Chairman
Subcommittee on Labor, HHS & Education
Committee on Appropriations
United States Congress
2358-B Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Labor, HHS & Education
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United States Congress
1016 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Kingston and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As Members of Congress who strongly value the contributions of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), we are writing to thank you for your past support and to respectfully request your continued support for NIH medical research, which is essential to sustain advances in science and the health and economic impacts of the research it funds.

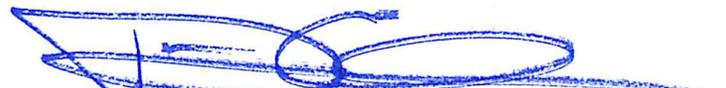
The National Institutes of Health are our nation's preeminent medical research centers and represent our best hope for finding cures, improving treatments, and gaining a better understanding of the diseases and conditions that affect millions of Americans. NIH research is a critical part of meeting health care challenges, strengthening our economy, inspiring the next generation of scientists, and maintaining our nation's leadership in innovation. Continued investment in the NIH can leverage existing resources for maximum impact and will build on current progress to further help the American public.

We recognize and appreciate the challenges facing the Appropriations Committee and your ongoing efforts to find savings in the most responsible areas. We urge you to consider the wide-ranging, positive effects of investment in research on health and the economy. We appreciate your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



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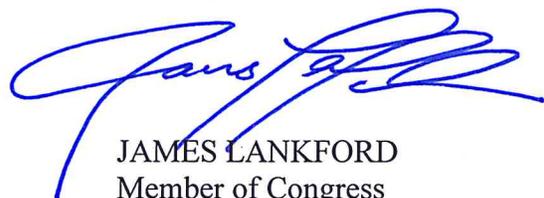
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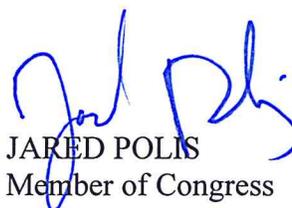
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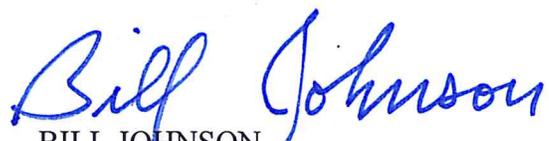
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