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November 15, 2012

FAX (202) 225-3512

Honorable Tom Cole  
2458 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Federal Budget; National Cancer Institute  
Research Funding

Dear Congressman Cole:

**Please vote to avoid sequestration and for Congress to appropriate at least \$5,300,000,000 to the National Cancer Institute for Fiscal Year 2013.**

More than 577,000 Americans are expected to die of cancer in 2012, which is one death in the United States every minute from cancer. 1,600,000 people in the U. S. will be diagnosed to have cancer this year. Estimated costs of cancer in the United States exceed \$250 billion annually.

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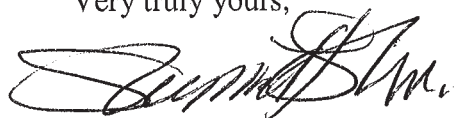
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FAX (202) 226-1463

Honorable James Lankford  
509 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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FAX 202-225-9187

Honorable John Sullivan  
434 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Congressman Sullivan:

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FAX (202) 225-3038

Honorable Dan Boren  
2447 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Federal Budget; National Cancer Institute  
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Dear Congressman Boren:

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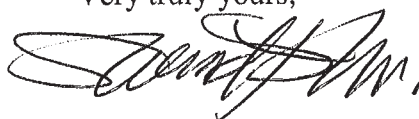
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FAX (202) 225-8698

Honorable Frank Lucas  
2311 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Federal Budget; National Cancer Institute  
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FAX 202-224-6008

Honorable Tom Coburn, M.D.  
172 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-3603

Re: Federal Budget; National Cancer Institute  
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Dear Senator Coburn:

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FAX (202) 228-0380

Honorable James M. Inhofe  
205 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-3603

Re: Federal Budget; National Cancer Institute  
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Dear Senator Inhofe:

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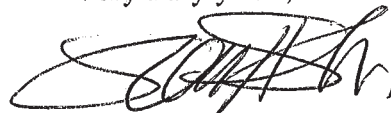
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