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FY 2017 Omnibus Appropriations Bill
National Institutes of Health and National Cancer Institute Appropriations

Dear Congressman Cole:

Please support and vote for enactment of the FY17 omnibus appropriations bill that we understand provides for significant increases of appropriations to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and National Cancer Institute (NCI) to fund and support lifesaving research about cancer.

It is understood the bill provides NIH with \$34.084 billion for FY17, and for the NCI to receive a total of \$5.689 billion in FY17, including \$300 million from 21st Century Cures specifically to support the Beau Biden Cancer Moonshot Initiative.

These increased appropriations to NIH and NCI are urgently needed. They will provide essential and sustained funding of the most promising research to discover how to prevent and control cancer, which is expected to cause more than 600,000 deaths in the United States this year.

Thank you for considering this letter and for your support of the bill and the appropriations made by it to the NIH and NCI.

Very truly yours,



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Dear Congressman Cole:

Thank you for your support and voting for enactment of the FY17 omnibus appropriations bill providing significant increases of appropriations to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and National Cancer Institute (NCI) to fund and support more research about cancer.

The increased appropriations to the NIH and the NCI will help find new discoveries to prevent and control cancer.

We appreciate your leadership and commitment to providing more funding for this urgently needed lifesaving research.

Very truly yours,



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