June 5, 2025

Jay Bhattacharya, M.D., Ph.D. Director National Institutes of Health 9000 Rockville Pike Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Dear Dr. Bhattacharya,

We, the undersigned, are organizations that serve millions of patients living with life-threatening diseases, as well as thousands of scientists and institutions working tirelessly to advance scientific research which leads to breakthroughs—including early detection, treatment, and cures.

We are deeply grateful to you and your staff for taking the time to meet with us on Thursday, May 29. Most importantly, we appreciate your commitment that NIH will fully obligate all FY25 funds by the end of the fiscal year.

For millions of Americans, this research represents real hope. Delays threaten to stall momentum and diminish opportunities for urgently needed breakthroughs. Your commitment to appropriately obligating these funds is a vital step forward—and we thank you.

We look forward to continued collaboration to ensure that the United States remains a global leader in biomedical research and that we deliver the scientific breakthroughs, treatments, and cures the American people urgently need and deserve.

Signed,

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