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— *Quality Life Through Research* —



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Dear Senator:

On behalf of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), our 21 member societies, and the more than 80,000 scientists that they represent, I urge you to support the addition of \$500 million to the NIH budget in the second supplemental appropriations bill.

The research funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and conducted at universities and institutions across the nation provides hope for patients suffering from devastating diseases and injuries. Breakthrough discoveries in biology have already led to successful treatments for cancer and heart disease and offer the key to preventing conditions like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease. Unfortunately, inadequate funding for research agencies has imperiled research progress and is discouraging many of our best and brightest young scientists.

Our nation cannot afford this loss of scientific talent and research, nor can we risk being caught unprepared for emerging health challenges or national needs. Therefore, I respectfully request you support the funding for NIH in the second supplemental appropriations bill and the lifeline it provides to biomedical research. Thank you again for your support of science, better health, and improved quality of life.

Sincerely,



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