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Hello,

As newly elected lawmakers, your contributions to the 118th Congress will be invaluable to strengthening our country’s national security and maintaining our position as a global economic leader. As you settle into your new offices and committee roles, we would like to introduce you to the Science and Technology Action Committee (STAC), an ad hoc, non-partisan group of non-profit, academic, foundation and business leaders working to advance science and technology and ensure the U.S. continues to lead the world in innovation.

Our nation faces increased global competition, particularly from China, for leadership in science, technology and innovation. We need to meet this moment by advancing U.S. science and technology capabilities. Doing so will ensure that technologies that lead to transformational improvements in health, wellness, security and quality of life, such as those that advance bioscience, precision medicine, clean energy, quantum computing and artificial intelligence, will be designed, developed and manufactured in the United States. Science and technology have long been an economic driver for the U.S., creating new industries and good jobs, but we can’t take it for granted that this will continue.

Ensuring the United States continues to lead the world in science and technology discovery and innovation is crucial to meeting today’s challenges and creating a brighter tomorrow for all Americans. We look forward to working with you and the rest of the 118th Congress on accomplishing this mission.

For more on STAC, please read our fact sheet and to meet with members of STAC, please contact Lynn Marquis (LMarquis@coalitionforlifesciences.org).

Sincerely,

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