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President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

On behalf of the medical technology industry, and especially the many companies that manufacture all the products essential to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of cancer, I want to thank you for your continued commitment to and the reignition of the White House Cancer Moonshot. We commend the emphasis you have placed on screening, early detection and diagnosis, and for supporting the remarkable innovations that are advancing cancer testing.

AdvaMed's 450 member companies produce the medical devices, diagnostic tests, and health information systems that are transforming health care through earlier disease detection, less invasive procedures, and more effective treatments, particularly in terms of cancer care. Recognizing the critical role of medical technology in health care, we urge you to include medtech industry leaders as participants in a White House Cancer Moonshot Summit and future roundtable conversations on the issue.

AdvaMed's Cancer Forum brings together a wide range of medical technology companies whose innovations are the heart of precision medicine and essential components in every aspect of cancer screening, diagnosis, prevention, and care. Medical technology companies are innovators and partners with patients and clinicians, providing the screening, diagnostic tests, imaging, radiation therapy, surgical tools, and infusion pumps and medical supplies without which modern cancer care would not exist.

At every point along the cancer care continuum, from research and development to screening, from early detection to treatment, monitoring, and follow-up care, the



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technologies our member companies develop and produce play critical roles in saving and extending the lives of Americans with cancer, including:

- Research and Development/Biomarker Discovery
- Risk Assessment
- Screening and Early Detection
- Diagnosis
- Staging and Prognosis
- Therapy Selection and Treatment Monitoring
- Treatment (Radiation Therapy; Surgery and Ablation; Therapeutic Delivery)
- Symptom Relief and Mitigation
- Palliative Care
- Monitoring and Treatment Assessment

The right public policy and investments are critical to making continued progress in preventing cancer, providing better care for patients, and reducing the cancer burden on our health care system. AdvaMed's Cancer Forum advocates for effective regulation, modernized coverage and payment policies, and the investment in research that are all essential for expanding patient access to essential technologies, reducing health disparities, and supporting technology innovation and high-quality care for cancer patients.

AdvaMed and its member companies stand with your Administration and Congress in our mutual commitment to accelerating the fight against cancer. We look forward to working closely with you and your staff to advance our country toward your vision of ending cancer as we know it.

Sincerely,

Scott Whitaker

