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MEMORANDUM

July 18, 2022

To: Members of the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Hybrid Hearing on "Understanding and Addressing Long COVID and

Its Consequences"

On <u>Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. E.T.</u>, the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis will hold a hybrid hearing on "Understanding and Addressing Long COVID and Its Consequences."

This hearing will convene in person in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building and remotely using Zoom, which has been approved by the House, at the discretion of the Chairman, the witnesses, and other Members.

In light of current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Office of Attending Physician (OAP), use of masks by Members and staff in the hearing room is optional. Individuals are advised that wearing a mask, particularly a properly fitted, medical-grade, filtration face mask (KN95 or N95 mask), is a very effective personal protective measure to reduce the risk of infection. Members and staff should consult CDC and OAP guidance regarding individual mask usage. Members and staff with coronavirus symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with the coronavirus should participate in the hearing remotely.

Members attending remotely are asked to connect by 9:30 a.m. to ensure their participation and troubleshoot any connectivity issues. The hearing will be recorded and livestreamed for the public.

I. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF HEARING

This hearing will examine Long COVID and its health and economic consequences on impacted Americans. It will also highlight what actions can be taken by governments at all levels and the private sector to accelerate research into detecting, preventing, and treating

Long COVID and to expand access to medical care and economic support for those struggling with the condition.

II. WITNESSES

Monica Verduzco-Gutierrez, M.D.

Professor and Distinguished Chair, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

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