

December 5, 2019

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
House Republican Leader
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Dear Speaker Pelosi and Republican Leader McCarthy:

We represent the community of emerging biotechnology companies whose researchers and scientists strive daily to develop innovative life-changing therapies and cures for patients. We take pride that we are providing hope to patients and their families and changing the world through medical breakthroughs. These dreams will be shattered if H.R. 3, the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, is passed.

We are at an incredible inflection point in science and technology that is bringing forth transformative treatments and even cures for cancer, infectious diseases, and a myriad of other serious and rare diseases. These advancements are benefiting lives of millions of patients and alleviating human suffering, while helping to reduce other more expensive parts of our health care system, such as hospital spending. Our continued success depends on maintaining an environment that supports investment in tomorrow's discoveries.

Unfortunately, H.R. 3 is an unprecedented and aggressive government intervention in the U.S. market of drug development and delivery that will limit patient access to these extraordinary advancements in health care. This extreme proposal will upend the ecosystem of U.S. biomedical innovation, destroying our ability to attract private investment dollars that allow us to develop new treatments and change the course of healthcare delivery for so many patients.

We strongly urge you to abandon H.R. 3. Further, in order to keep pace with this biomedical revolution and ensure America remains the world leader in innovation, we hope that you will pursue bipartisan, holistic policies that modernize our health care payment system and lower drug costs for patients.

Sincerely,

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