The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

SUPPORT LETTER FOR HEARING ON MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

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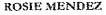
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The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Waxman:

We are writing to call to your attention the increased spreading of medical misinformation regarding mold-related illnesses. As documented in a Wall Street Journal article in January of 2007 ("Court of Opinion: Amid Suits Over Mold, Experts Wear Two Hats.") and a September 27, 2007 letter to your office from Sharon Noonan Kramer and Mary Mulvey Jacobson, it appears that government agencies are relying heavily on the scientific findings of private groups with conflicts of interest in determining the health effects of indoor mold. The government is funding such groups whose findings often determine government policy, despite these groups having financial incentive to minimize the effects of mold.

In New York City, where 1 in 8 residents has asthma, including 300,000 children, we are very concerned about the effects that indoor mold has on the health of our constituents. Certainly this is an issue that extends far beyond the reaches of New York City. Proper medical treatment is currently inadequate, due in large part to medical misinformation that has been intentionally promoted for financial reasons, at the expense of public health.

We know that as Chairman you hold government agencies accountable to a strong ethical standard, and we are writing both in support of the Kramer/Jacobson letter and to respectfully request that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform hold a hearing regarding this issue. We believe that excessive industry influence is compromising scientific accuracy.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to insuring integrity in our nation's medical science.

Sincerely,

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NYS Senator, 26th District

cc: Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney

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June 26, 2008

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Waxman,

For 25 years I taught special education at Corona del Sol High School in Tempe, Arizona. Congressman Harry Mitchell referred to it during his speech on the floor, adding his amendment to H.R. 3020. I am the eighth teacher from Corona with a benign brain tumor, which is a statistical anomaly according to my two neurologists. There are also many other health issues affecting staff and students, and I ask that you or your staff visit our extensive website to be clear on the fight that we have been waging for months, even years. Please take a moment to visit our site at http://www.coronacleanair.org./. Our small group has hit too many roadblocks on the way to making a safe, healthy environment for our students and staff. We feel there is a concerted effort to thwart our work towards that end. We get the run around from all government agencies, and are treated with disrespect in many instances. We are well meaning citizens who are trying to do the right thing, and the only assistance we get are from a few state legislators and Congressman Mitchell. We ask that you consider the following request.

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Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that ensures integrity in our nation's medical science.

Sincerely,

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"Supporting Due Process in Medical Peer Review"

November 20, 2007

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

SUPPORT LETTER FOR HEARING ON MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

Dear Chairman Waxman.

Semmelweis Society is an organization whose primary aim is to protect doctors and other healthcare workers from bad faith peer review which is often used to punish those who speak up to protect the public. We have heard from many individuals who have attempted to reveal the truth about mold illness and how their attempts to educate the public have been quashed and their lives disrupted forever. Many of the reports include references to mold and the accompanying health complications. The stories are devastating and heartbreaking. This is a national epidemic.

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It is unconscionable that adults and children who reside in this country are not receiving proper medical treatment from America's physicians for mycotic diseases. The cost to insurers and other stakeholder industries should causation of these illnesses be better understood must not influence the medical truth. Health cannot be sacrificed for greed. We depend on you and your committee to see that it is not. The misinformation that has been systematically promoted to medical communities requires your scrutiny.

This letter is sent to you in support of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson's and Mrs. Kramer's request. We join them in urging that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform convene a hearing on this issue.

Thank you in advance for your integrity and leadership.

Sincerely,

Roland F. Chalifoux Jr., DO

President. Semmelweis Society International

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Vincent M. Sugent NATCA Facility Representative Detroit Metro Tower 7768 Pleasant Lane Ypsilanti, MI 48197 (734) 476-3989 December 12, 2007

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In April of this year, I met with Ms. Appleberry at your office over mold contamination, poor indoor air quality and the associated health issues at Detroit Metro Tower and other FAA facilities. Having first hand knowledge of how mold exposure affects the health of building occupants, I support the request of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson and Mrs. Kramer for a hearing of the oversight committee. I join them in urging that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform convene a hearing to assist in eliminating financial interests from unduly and wrongfully influencing medical science among various government agencies and among the private sector associations to whom our government is funding and outsourcing duties.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that ensures integrity in our nation's medical science.

Sincerely,

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July 2, 2008

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB

Dear Chairman Waxman:

Washington, DC 20515

The American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts, representing over 25,000 members in the Commonwealth, requests that the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Committee hold a hearing concerning the conflicts of interest and undue industry influence that may be impacting the understanding of illnesses caused by exposure to mold.

Currently, students, teachers, paraprofessionals and other educational support staff who learn, teach and work in schools throughout Massachusetts and the United States are not receiving proper medical treatment from America's physicians for mycotic diseases. This is largely due to misinformation that has been systematically promoted to medical communities because it is costly to insurers and other stakeholder industries should causation of these illnesses be better understood.

This letter is sent to you in support of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson's and Mrs. Sharon Kramer's (national advocates) request to begin a hearing on this issue. We join them in urging that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform convene a hearing to assist in eliminating financial interests from influencing medical science among various government agencies and among the private sector associations who receive government funding.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that insures integrity in our nation's medical science. I can be reached at AFT Massachusetts at 617-423-3342 or at tgosnell@aftma.net.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Gosnell

President



Homeowners Against Deficient

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November 10, 2007

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

SUPPORT LETTER FOR HEARING ON MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

Dear Chairman Waxman,

Homeowners Against Deficient Dwellings is a non-profit grassroots organization formed to assist consumers who have suffered as a result of shoddy construction practices. We've received thousands of such reports during our existence, and many of them include references to mold and the accompanying health complications. The stories are devastating and heartbreaking. This is a national epidemic.

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Thank you in advance for your integrity and leadership.

Sincerely,

Nancy Seats, President Homeowners Against Deficient Dwellings (www.HADD.com)

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December 11, 2007

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

RE: MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

Dear Chairman Waxman:

Back in 2001, when the Republicans had a stranglehold on Washington, DC, I was called before a House committee to testify about the impact mold damage had on the American homeowner. I was met with hostility from several of the insurance and building industries biggest lapdogs. Today, there's a new sheriff in town and the American people are anxious to see real reform. We are now positioned to stop putting business interests above public interests.

Several consumer advocates and nonprofit organizations like mine have encouraged the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Committee to hold a hearing concerning the documented conflicts of interest and undue industry influence that are stifling scientific understanding of illnesses caused by microbial contamination within water damaged indoor environments.

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This letter is sent to you in support of that request. We urge you to convene a hearing to study how insurers have pressured certain medical doctors and researchers to either stop ongoing research or manipulate certain research findings in an effort to dodge the liability bullet.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that ensures integrity in our nation's medical science.

Sincerely,

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July 20, 2008

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

SUPPORT LETTER FOR HEARING ON MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

Dear Chairman Waxman:

The Massachusetts Nurses Association, representing 23,000 nurses in the Commonwealth, requests that the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Committee hold a hearing concerning the conflicts of interest and undue industry influence that may be impacting the understanding of illnesses caused by exposure to mold.

Many of our members work in older buildings, particularly facilities that have not been maintained and are subject to water incursion and mold growth. These nurses and other healthcare worker as well as the residents they care for live and work in many of these older buildings. Sicknesses attributed to mold and it's toxins is not uncommon. Yet there is little that is being done, either to restore the buildings or to compensate the victims of these exposures. Cases that do get to court, are often undermined by industry biased claims and documents.

It is our understanding that position papers released by leading academies in health and medicine, as highlighted by the January 9, 2007, Wall Street Journal article by David Armstrong entitled, "Amid Suits Over Mold, Experts Wear Two Hats," have had negative impacts on children and adults harmed by mold and their efforts to seek improvements in their environment or get restitution. Since medical research on the interaction between human health and exposure to mold is evolving, it is important that position papers reflect an unbiased view solely based on the current evidence.

This letter is sent to you in support of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson's and Mrs. Sharon Kramer's (national advocates) request to begin a hearing on this issue. We join them in urging that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform convene a hearing to assist in eliminating financial interests from influencing medical science among various government agencies and among the private sector associations who receive government funding.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that insures integrity in our nation's medical science. I can be reached at the Massachusetts Nurses Association at 781-821-4625 x 776 or at eviebain@mnarn.org.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Bain M Ed, RN, COHN-S, FAAOHN Associate Director, Coordinator of the Division of Health and Safety

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January 14, 2008

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

SUPPORT LETTER FOR HEARING ON MOLD ILLNESSES AND INDUSTRY INFLUENCE

Dear Chairman Waxman.

Founded in 1976, MassCOSH (Massachusetts Coalition for Occupational Safety and Health) brings together workers, unions, community groups and health, safety and environmental activists to organize and advocate for safe, secure jobs and healthy communities throughout Eastern and Central Massachusetts. Through training, technical assistance and building community/labor alliances, MassCOSH mobilizes its members and develops leaders in the movement to end unsafe working conditions.

The Healthy Schools Initiative, a major collaboration of MassCOSH, works to improve health and environmental conditions for students and school staff through advocacy, education, and technical assistance and through the Healthy Schools Hotline, MassCOSH also provides support, resources and referrals to members of the school community.

MassCOSH has taken a leadership position, working to reach solutions to poor indoor air quality and its subsequent adverse health effects on the workforce. In addition to other industry work forces, we hear from countless teachers, students and parents concerned with a myriad of health problems associated with exposure to poor indoor air quality, including mold exposure.

Currently, adults and children who reside in the United States are not receiving proper medical treatment from America's physicians for mycotic diseases. This is largely due to misinformation that has been systematically promoted to medical communities because it is costly to insurers and other stakeholder industries should causation of these illnesses be better understood. MassCOSH cannot effectively help those we are committed to assist if there is not complete honesty in the science and medicine of mold illness.

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During a meeting on September 27, 2007 with Ms. Robin Appleberry, JD, Counsel of the Congressional Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Ms. Mary Mulvey Jacobson (an active member of the MassCOSH Healthy Schools Initiative) and Mrs. Sharon Noonan Kramer, national advocates for those made ill from mold exposure, hand delivered a request that the Committee exercise oversight and hold a hearing concerning the documented conflicts of interest and undue industry influence that are stifling scientific understanding of illnesses caused by microbial contamination within water damaged indoor environments.

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Marcy Goldstein-Gelb

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Sincerely.

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This letter is sent to you in support of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson's and Mrs. Kramer's request. The Boston Teachers Union join them in urging that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform convene a hearing to assist in eliminating financial interests from unduly and wrongfully influencing medical science among various government agencies and among the private sector associations to whom our government is funding and outsourcing duties. All children and educational staff deserve proper medical diagnosis and treatment.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing leadership that insures integrity in our nation's medical science.

| Sincerely, |
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December 3, 2007

The Honorable Henry Waxman, Chairman Committee on Oversight and Government Reform United States House of Representatives 2157 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

Re: Support Letter For Hearing On Mold Illnesses And Industry Influence

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Workers Loss Data Institute is the nation's premiere organization that writes the guidelines for the treatment of injured workers, and this letter is sent to you in support of Ms. Mulvey Jacobson's and Mrs. Kramer's request.

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Sincerely, Phil Demistra

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The Hon. Henry Waxman
Chair, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
United States House of Representatives
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Sincerely.

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