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Dear Dr. Blackburn:

Thank you for your recent letter voicing support for H. R. 13175, "Biomedical Research Act of 1974" which will strengthen programs at the National Institutes of Health.

I most certainly agree that the political screening process which has recently been taking place at NIH is most dangerous to the bio-medical research which takes place at the Institutes. Certainly there should be no place for politics at a medical research Institute.

Kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

PAUL G. ROGERS, Chairman.

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