



Chair Bowman, Vice Chair Drazan and members of the committee,

My name is Steve Stadum, and I serve as the interim president of Oregon Health & Science University. On behalf of OHSU, I am pleased to offer our strong support for House Concurrent Resolution 3 in honor of Dr. Brian Druker, and his lifesaving discoveries and dedicated leadership.

I first met Brian more than 25 years ago, when I joined the team at OHSU. At that point, his discovery of Gleevec's application for chronic myeloid leukemia was just starting to make waves, but his accomplishments were already significant. Since then, Brian's discovery has saved so many lives, making possible what was once thought impossible – a cure for cancer. In addition, Brian has made a huge impact on the entire field of cancer research and the era of precision medicine.

Pushing beyond his own discoveries, Brian envisioned a place at OHSU that would bring together the best and brightest to discover more treatments and more cures. For several years as the chief operating officer of the Knight Cancer Institute, I had the pleasure of working hand-in-hand with Brian as we embarked on an effort to build a world class cancer center for Oregon.

Today, the Knight Cancer Institute, and the lifesaving work that is happening there every day, stands as a testament to Brian's determination and perseverance. OHSU and the people of Oregon are so fortunate to have him continuing to practice and research.

We urge your support for HCR 3, honoring our friend and colleague Dr. Brian Druker for his service and discoveries.

Sincerely,

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