



OFFICE OF THE  
PRESIDENT

February 25, 2010

The Honorable Richard Lugar  
United States Senate  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-1401

Dear Senator Lugar:

I am writing to ask for your support in advancing the "Indiana BioBank" proposal for the Indiana University School of Medicine through the FY 2011 federal appropriations process.

This \$1.14 million proposal aims to create a BioBank that will be utilized as a repository for patient DNA samples. By matching DNA to medications that will work best for an individual patient, prescription of potentially ineffective or toxic medications can be avoided and more cost efficient health care can be delivered. While the development of these individualized therapies is the ultimate goal of this application, the first step is the development of the BioBank that will be created by funds requested in this proposal.

Thank you very much for your consideration,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael A. McRobbie", with a large flourish extending to the left.

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