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The Honorable James Abourezk
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Dear Senator Abourezk:

It is our understanding that on September 13, 1978, Senators Dole and Bayh plan to introduce a Government wide patent policy Bill which provides for the first option to ownership by universities, other nonprofit organizations and small businesses of inventions made in performance of Government research and development grants and contracts. In addition to recognizing the equities which the university sector has in such inventions, the Bill will eliminate the onerous need to administer approximately 22 different Agency patent policies.

We sincerely believe that Senator's Dole and Bayh have made every effort to draft a balanced piece of legislation which will respond to the need for and stimulate the transfer of technology from the universities to the public and thereby help to re-establish the United States as the leader in technological innovation.

We respectfully urge you to strongly consider becoming a co-sponsor of this important piece of legislation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Howard W. Bremer".

Howard W. Bremer
President

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