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**AMDR COMMITMENT STATEMENT,
*NAM Action Collaborative on Decarbonizing the U.S. Health Sector***

AMDR is the global trade association for the commercial single-use medical device reprocessing and remanufacturing industry. The use of reprocessed devices promotes a more resilient, cost-effective, and environmentally sustainable healthcare supply chain. Reprocessing contributes to a circular healthcare economy, creating green, American jobs and keeping financial resources at home, within health institutions, rather than spent on unnecessary supplies from a global supply chain.

AMDR's mission is to advance the interests of our members in regulation, legislation, and standard-setting world-wide and promote the benefits of a well-regulated, professional reprocessing industry. Having helped guide the establishment of the reprocessing industry since 2000, we continue to lead the way for reprocessing to play a defining role in the evolution and use of new device technologies that cost less, perform more safely, and produce less waste and emissions.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Our paramount responsibility is to help healthcare institutions, including hospitals and clinicians, provide the best possible care for patients by ensuring that reprocessed single-use devices are as safe or safer than original equipment, while lowering costs, waste, and emissions. To meet this responsibility, we work to better align the medical device industry with the fundamental interests of patients, hospitals, and healthcare providers by making single-use device reprocessing and remanufacturing a better understood and transparent **supply chain strategy** for all hospitals. We advocate for the same or similar levels of regulatory oversight for reprocessed devices as applied to any other medical device manufacturer so that patients and our healthcare provider partners are assured that reprocessed devices are safe and effective.

THE ROLE OF REPROCESSING

Single-use device reprocessing is one of the most effective sustainability strategies available to hospitals and healthcare supply chains. Our members help to simultaneously reduce the environmental impact from discarding used medical devices (and the associated emissions) and enable hospitals to enhance their financial sustainability.

WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

The use of reprocessed medical devices should be maximized in all hospitals and healthcare facilities, and we are committed to growing reprocessing in terms of volume as well as scope so that healthcare can continue to increase the responsible and safe

reuse of medical devices. We believe that the future of healthcare requires the medical device industry to enter a new paradigm where the focus is on providing value to healthcare rather than pursuing volume-based profit goals. This means that reprocessing should be an integrated element in medical device technology development and marketing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Vukelich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

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