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To: National Academy of Medicine Action Collaborative on Decarbonizing the U.S. Health Sector.

Subject: Montana Health Professionals for a Healthy Climate Commitment Statement

Montana Health Professionals for a Healthy Climate (Montana HPHC) brings together healthcare professionals of multiple disciplines from across the state to amplify their voices to catalyze action on climate change. Montana HPHC’s vision is to advocate for public health by helping address climate disruption.

We work to educate healthcare professionals, elected officials, and the general public; advocate at the local, state, and national levels; conduct research on climate and air pollution; and provide leadership in our state related to climate change action. Recognizing that climate change will impact everyone, but that some are at higher risk than others, Montana HPHC strives to promote environmental justice in all its endeavors. We serve as messengers to our patients, colleagues, and communities about the myriad ways our health is affected by climate change. We work for a rapid transition to renewable energy and carbon neutrality, and the clean air and improved health that will result.

Montana HPHC is committed to this effort and honored to join the National Academy of Medicine’s Climate Collaborative as a Network Organization to support effective actions to combat climate change.

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