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Committee to Hold Hearing on Prostate Cancer Screening and Treatment

WASHINGTON – Chairman Edolphus "Ed" Towns (D-NY) today announced that the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will hold a hearing titled, "Prostate Cancer: New Questions About Screening and Treatment" to examine several issues surrounding prostate cancer. The purpose of the hearing is to understand current views on prostate cancer screening and research, and to understand if necessary action is being taken to find a cure for prostate cancer.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, March 4, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building.

Witnesses invited to testify include:

William L. Dahut, M.D. Senior Investigator National Cancer Institute, Medical Oncology Branch and Affiliates

Carolyn J.M. Best, Ph.D. Program Manager, Prostate Cancer Research Program, Department of Defense U.S. Army Medical Research and Material Command, Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs

Theodore L. DeWeese, M.D. Professor of Radiation Oncology and Molecular Radiation Sciences, Professor of Urology, Professor Oncology, Chairman, Radiation Oncologist-in-Chief, Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center Johns Hopkins Hospital Dr. Steven G. Kaminsky, Ph.D. Vice President for Research and Director of Research Administration Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU)

James L. Mohler, M.D. Associate Director and Senior Vice President for Translation Research, Chair, Department of Urologic Oncology, Department of Urology Roswell Park Cancer Institute

Otis W. Brawley, M.D. Chief Medical Officer American Cancer Institute

Faina Shtern, M.D. President and Chief Executive Officer AdMeTech Foundation

The Hon. Am. Andrew Young Former Mayor of Atlanta and former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations

Thomas Farrington President and Founder Prostate Health Education Network, Inc.

Betty Gallo Director of Public Outreach and Government Relations Betty Gallo Prostate Cancer Center (GPCC) at The Cancer Institute of New Jersey (CINJ); Co-Founder of Women Against Prostate Cancer

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