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THBI Welcomes U.S. Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-H) to Texas Dallas selected as the new home of the Customer Experience Hub for the New Transformational Health Research and Innovation Agency

AUSTIN, TX – September 27, 2023 –The Texas Healthcare & Bioscience Institute (THBI) is thrilled to welcome the <u>Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H)</u> to the Lone Star State. This new U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) agency is a nationwide health innovation network that will support transformative biomedical and health breakthroughs. HHS has announced Pegasus Park in Dallas, Texas, as one of three regional hubs that will support the agency's work.

"After a long and intensive selection process, THBI is pleased that Texas will play an essential role in the work of this new groundbreaking agency," said Victoria Ford, President and CEO of THBI. "This announcement further solidifies Texas as a leader in the life science and biotech industries. We thank the Biden Administration and HHS for a comprehensive selection process and their consistent communication throughout. We also thank and congratulate our partners in the Dallas-Fort Worth region, Pegasus Park, and the Office of the Governor for this incredible milestone."

The cutting-edge work of ARPA-H will help address some of our nation's most critical health care problems like cancer, Alzheimer's, AIDS, and more. ARPA-H will work to advance biomedical and health research that cannot be readily accomplished through traditional research or commercial activity. Washington D.C., and Boston, Massachusetts, will also serve as regional hubs to support ARPA-H programs.

This announcement represents the culmination of a two-year effort led by a Texas coalition consisting of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT) and other biotechnology ventures, hospital systems, research institutions, and economic development organizations in partnership with the Austin, Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio.

About THBI

The Texas Healthcare & Bioscience Institute (THBI) is the Texas policy voice for healthcare and bioscience and the only provider of statewide resources to its members and the industry. With a focus

on using advocacy as a tool to create a more favorable environment for the life sciences, THBI works with government and industry leaders to attract new participants in the life sciences to Texas and to promote effective government legislation on behalf of the industry. The Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute is a nonprofit 501(c)(6) organization. To learn more, visit www.thbi.com.