# Endorsing Organizations

# • U.S. Wildlife and Health Alliance

"The innovative, cross-cutting approach of this bill will help to prevent spillover. This approach will not only protect individuals and communities on the front lines of novel pathogen emergence, it will safeguard global health and improve our national security. We have seen the devastating and destabilizing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic around the world. Global pandemics not only can wreak trillions in economic damages, but represent a clear national security threat to the United States." - Kate Wall, Chair

# • International Fund for Animal Welfare

"True pandemic prevention is about much more than containing disease outbreaks. Pathogen spillover from wildlife hosts to human populations is increasing as contact with wildlife intensifies through habitat encroachment and destruction, and the capture, trade, and breeding of live wildlife. Only a One Health paradigm includes preventing initial spillover from animals into human populations, by building deeper coordination and support in areas such as addressing wildlife trade and live animal markets, biosecurity in animal agriculture, and tropical deforestation – all major risk factors for spillover of novel viruses." - Danielle Kessler, Director, US Country Office

# • National Association of Federal Veterinarians

"The National Association of Federal Veterinarians strongly support this bill and find that it will bring much needed resources and recognition to the work veterinarians do in mitigating human infectious diseases of animal origin. Diseases like SARS CoV-2 have brought to light the role that public practice veterinarians and their private practice counterparts play in identifying species susceptible to a newly emerging disease." - Dr. Joseph F. Annelli, Executive Director

# • Consortium of Universities for Global Health

"Pandemics know no borders and pose a clear and present danger to the US and the global community. The One Health Security Act will address the human, animal, and environmental causes of deadly disease spillovers, helping to safeguard the health and economic security of every American." - Dr. Keith Martin, Executive Director

- New York City Health + Hospitals
- Wildlife Conservation Society
- Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies
- Right to Health Action
- Center for Science in the Public Interest
- Entomological Society of America

- American Phytopathological Society
- Marked by COVID
- American Institute of Biological Sciences
- National Federation of Federal Employees
- Columbia University Irving Medical Center
- National Sciences Coalition Alliance
- Western University of Health Sciences

# Endorsing Experts

#### • Dr. Tracey McNamara

Professor of Pathology, Western University of Health Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine

"As COVID-19 so dramatically demonstrated, emerging pandemic threats can have profound public health, economic and national security implications. The issues that have prevented it from being operationalized right here in the USA have never been addressed. But how many more wake up calls do we need? Bureaucratic impediments and funding disparities across agencies have continued to hamper our ability to detect or respond to novel zoonotic threats in a timely manner. This bill takes a 40,0000-foot view and focuses on how best to get the job done. It eliminates traditional siloes between federal agencies by creating equity across agencies and by providing funding to work together to tackle complex issues. At long last, it will give One Health a much needed home."

# • Dr. Deborah Thomson

"The One Health Security Act is what the world needs. It creates an efficient path to cut cumbersome bureaucracy and incentivizes interagency collaborations to simultaneously protect the health of people, animals, plants, and our shared environment."

# • Dr. Robert McCreight

Adjunct Professor, George Mason University; Lecturer, National Defense University

"This legislation will renew our national Agro-Security posture, uplift and reinforce our core infrastructure, while making our systems even more robust for the decades ahead."

# • Dr. Donald A. Donahue

Professor of Global Health, University of Maryland Baltimore; Senior Fellow, Potomac Institute for Policy Studies; Executive Director, Center for Health Policy & Preparedness "While the ability to respond to outbreaks has reached unprecedented levels, communicable diseases continue to exact a tremendous toll on humanity. The pathways to human contagion are as diverse as Nature itself, often eluding identification until after the fact. The One Health Security Act will empower holistic and comprehensive monitoring of myriad disease sources, demonstrating Benjamin Franklin's adage that 'an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.'"

#### • Dr. Gerald W. Parker

Associate Dean for Global One Health, Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University

"The global challenges we face demand One Health solutions. The One Health Security Act is essential today and will set the path for the next generation."

#### • Dr. Jean Ristaino

William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professor, Entomology and Plant Pathology Department, North Carolina State University

"Emerging infectious disease outbreaks impact human, animal and plant health, our food supply, lives, and livelihoods. The planned One Health Security Act will help reduce siloes and assist government, academic and NGO partners in tackling one of our most important global challenges. Infectious diseases are likely to increase as climates warm, and we need to act now to plan for a safe, healthier planet."

#### • Dr. Aruna Muthumanickam

Resident Physician, BronxCare Health System, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

"Never before has the interdependent relationship between the state of the environment and the health of all living beings been more apparent. Senator Gillibrand's One Health Security Bill rightfully recognizes that any threat to human health is a threat to national security. It aims to improve our current pandemic prevention and mitigation strategies and increase the resilience of the population against biological calamities."

#### • Dr. Peter Rabinowitz

Director, University of Washington Center for One Health Research

# • Dr. Keith Martin

Executive Director, Consortium of Universities for Global Health