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Statement by Rush Holt on Expected Nomination of Dr. Kelvin K. Droegemeier

“We applaud President Trump’s intended selection of Dr. Kelvin K. Droegemeier to serve as the director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. Science and technology are embedded in almost every issue that the president deals with, and since 2016, we’ve urged the nomination of a respected scientist or engineer. Kelvin Droegemeier is such a scientist; his work cuts across many disciplines from meteorology to cybersecurity and he has demonstrated many years of public service at the interface of science and policy. His years working on the National Science Board during the Bush and Obama administrations and on the Governor of Oklahoma’s Science and Technology Council validate Droegemeier’s ability to work in bipartisan fashion and across many parts of the government, experience that will serve the president and our nation well.

“We look forward to his nomination making its way through the Senate. The incoming OSTP director needs to be quickly integrated into the administration’s decision-making and not only on topics with an obvious science connection like infectious disease response, environmental stewardship, and energy security, but also the many topics involving science not so obviously.”

– Rush Holt, chief executive officer, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

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