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PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

FOR EXPRESS MAIL: Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare Division of Assurances 6700B Rockledge Drive, Suite 2500 Bethesda, Maryland 20817 Telephone: (301) 496-7163

Re: Assurance Approval for D16-00084 (A3136-01)

Claudia Neuhauser, Ph.D. VP for Research and Technology Transfer, Institutional Official University of Houston – Main Campus 4302 University Drive-Room 316F Houston, Texas 77204

Dear Dr. Neuhauser,

I am pleased to inform you that the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) reviewed and approved your institution's Animal Welfare Assurance (Assurance) that was submitted in accordance with the Public Health Service (PHS) Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals (Policy), revised 2015.

Your Assurance, identification number, **D16-00084 (A3136-01)** became effective on **March 19, 2024**, and will expire on **January 31, 2028**. Please include the Assurance number on all correspondence to OLAW. You will receive a copy of the signed Assurance document by email. The signature page provides verification of approval by OLAW and specifies the period during which your institution's Assurance is effective.

The Assurance is a key document that sets forth the responsibilities and procedures of your Institution regarding the care and use of laboratory animals according to the PHS Policy. The practices described in the Assurance document must be followed by all individuals in the animal care and use program.

If I may be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Temeri Wilder-Kofie, DVM, MPH, DACLAM Division of Assurances OLAW, National Institutes of Health

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