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**KENNEDY, KERRY ANNOUNCE \$1.5 MILLION FOR MASSACHUSETTS UNIVERSITIES,
HOSPITALS, AND HEALTH FACILITIES**

BOSTON, MA – Senators Edward M. Kennedy and John F. Kerry announced today that four health research institutions in Massachusetts will receive six federal grants from the National Institute of Health totaling nearly \$1.5 million, made under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Senator Kennedy said, “I commend these extraordinary Massachusetts institutions for their commitment to producing vital, cutting-edge research that will better the lives of those in the Commonwealth and across the country.”

“People count on the fact that our state hosts some of the best medical institutions in the country. Dana Farber, Brigham and Women’s, MIT and MGH all do an incredible job of improving the lives of thousands who rely on them for their healthcare needs each year. This investment will only further the extraordinary, ground-breaking work being done at these facilities and will provide everyone in our state with the best possible care,” said Senator Kerry.

The recipients of the grants and the purpose and the amount of the grants are as follows:

Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Boston, MA

Functional Analysis of the Tip60 Complex; \$308,234

Brigham and Women’s Hospital

Boston, MA

Osteonecrosis of the Jaw in Non-Cancer Patients Using Bisphosphonates; \$266,750

Chemical Modulation of Lysosomal Storage in Vivo; \$234,604

Massachusetts General Hospital

Boston, MA

Functional and Chemical Markers for ALS Progression; \$260,280

NeuroIE: A Tool for Mining the Neuroanatomic Volumetric Literature; \$219,301

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Structure-based Ligand Design of Inhibitors that Prevent Tau Aggregation; \$226,023

The NIH is the principal Federal agency for the support of medical research, and is responsible for supporting over 325,000 scientists and researchers in over 3,000 institutions across the country. For more information on the National Institute of Health's efforts under the American Recovery and Reinvestment act, please visit www.nih.gov/recovery.

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