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TO: NASA Headquarters
Attn: N/Associate Administrator for Management Operations

FROM: AA/Director

SUBJECT: Request for Approval of Outside Activity

Request your consideration for the administrative approval of outside activity by Astronaut William E. Thornton to accept an unpaid appointment (Clinical Instructor) in the Department of Medicine at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas, and coauthor and present a medical pamphlet and scientific exhibit.

These outside activities are in connection with Dr. Thornton's support of hypertension research in which major advances are being made in technique, methodology, and knowledge of blood pressure and its disorders. This is virtually Dr. Thornton's only active contact with medical research and he would like to continue this support to maintain his medical proficiency.

Your prompt consideration will be appreciated.

Original Signed By:
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Enclosure