

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

June 17, 2025

Ms. Anne Wojcicki  
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Dear Ms. Wojcicki and Mr. Selsavage:

We write to follow up on your testimony before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on June 10, 2025, and seek clarity regarding the status of the genetic data belonging to more than 15 million individuals. Specifically, we request clarity on your ability to ensure no individual's data – identified or de-identified – will be retained, transferred, or sold without their affirmative consent prior to any bankruptcy sale.

Genetic data is among the most intimate and sensitive personal information to exist, and 23andMe has proven inadequate in fulfilling its responsibility to protect it. In her testimony, Ms. Wojcicki shared that “a threat actor had gained access to a limited number of individual 23andMe accounts” in October 2023.<sup>1</sup> In reality, nearly seven million people – roughly half of 23andMe's customers – had their personal and genetic data exposed in a major data breach.<sup>2</sup> This is not a “limited” incident, but a systemic failure of data protections and accountability.

Now, this same data is at the heart of ongoing bankruptcy proceedings. The mass confusion and fear this has caused – including the crashing of 23andMe's website as nearly two million users rushed to delete their accounts – has undermined trust in the company's ability to handle this information.<sup>3</sup>

We therefore request that you provide additional details on your ability and willingness to contact each of your 15 million customers – prior to any sale – and obtain their explicit consent to opt-in to having their data included in any transaction. People deserve and require a clear choice about how their data will be handled going forward.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

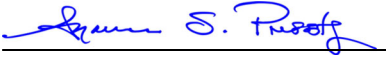
Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> *Written Testimony of Anne E. Wojcicki Founder and Board Member of 23andMe, Inc. Before the United States House of Representatives Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Anne Wojcicki (June 10, 2025).

<sup>2</sup> *23andMe Just Filed for Bankruptcy. You Should Delete Your Data Now*, New York Times (Mar. 25, 2025) (online at [nytimes.com/wirecutter/reviews/23andme-data-bankrupt/](https://www.nytimes.com/wirecutter/reviews/23andme-data-bankrupt/)).

<sup>3</sup> *23andMe Site Went Down as Customers Struggled to Delete Data*, Wall Street Journal (Mar. 25, 2025) (online at [www.wsj.com/business/23andme-delete-data-bankruptcy-5778341f](https://www.wsj.com/business/23andme-delete-data-bankruptcy-5778341f)).



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