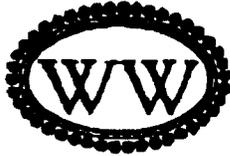


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Dear Dr. Hart,

It has come to our attention that the National Toxicology Program of the U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services is considering listing "alcohol beverage consumption" as a "known human carcinogen".

Our Association urges you to review all appropriate scientific information. It appears that an independent examination and analysis of such pertaining to alcohol consumption has yet to be done. It would be premature and precipitous, as well as confusing to the public, to go ahead with this listing under consideration based on inconclusive evidence.

Yours very truly,

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