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Statement from John Fetterman's cardiologist, Dr. Ramesh Chandra of Alliance Cardiology:

I saw John Fetterman in my office on Thursday, June 2nd as a follow up to assess his condition following his stroke on May 13th.

I first saw John in 2017 at UPMC East. He was experiencing swelling in his feet and came to get it checked out. That is when I diagnosed him with atrial fibrillation, an irregular heart rhythm, along with a decreased heart pump.

I had prescribed medications along with improved diet and exercise and asked him to follow up again in the following months. Instead, I did not see him again until yesterday. John did not go to any doctor for 5 years and did not continue taking his medications.

John is well compensated and stable. He now has a pacemaker - defibrillator. From what I and John's doctors in Lancaster have observed, the device is working perfectly and he is doing well.

Yesterday I talked to John about how, while afib was the cause of his stroke, he also has a condition called cardiomyopathy, which is why doctors in Lancaster chose to implant the device.

The prognosis I can give for John's heart is this: if he takes his medications, eats healthy, and exercises, he'll be fine. If he does what I've told him, and I do believe that he is taking his recovery and his health very seriously this time, he should be able to campaign and serve in the U.S. Senate without a problem.

I will see John again in 6 months for a follow up appointment to monitor his progress.


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