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Intellia Therapeutics Names Muna Bhanji, R.Ph., to its Board of Directors

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 02, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Intellia Therapeutics, Inc. (NASDAQ:NTLA), a leading genome editing company focused on developing potentially curative therapeutics leveraging CRISPR-based technologies, today announced the appointment of Muna Bhanji, R.Ph., to its board of directors.

"We welcome Muna whose deep expertise in global commercialization and market access will be critical to Intellia as we expand our leadership position in the field of genome editing and move closer to commercializing potentially curative treatments for people with life-threatening diseases," said Intellia President and Chief Executive Officer John Leonard, M.D. "We are very fortunate to benefit from Muna's extensive experience navigating U.S. and global healthcare systems to improve patient access to innovative medicines. We are thrilled with her joining our board and look forward to her many contributions to our future success."

Ms. Bhanji brings more than 30 years of strategic and operational experience in the biopharmaceutical industry to Intellia's board, including a proven track record of driving growth across a broad portfolio of medicines and vaccines. She built her career at Merck & Co., where she held several senior leadership roles within U.S. based sales, marketing, managed markets and commercial operations, global franchise business units, and global market access and policy. She is the founder and president of Tiba Global Access, a commercialization and market access strategy consultancy serving the biopharmaceutical industry. Ms. Bhanji serves on the board of directors for several companies, including Cytokinetics (NASDAQ: CYTK), Ardelyx, Inc. (NASDAQ: ARDX) and Veracyte, Inc. (NASDAQ: VCYT). She also is a member of the board of Corus International, an international humanitarian organization working at the intersection of poverty alleviation and healthcare. Ms. Bhanji earned her B.S. in Pharmacy from Rutgers School of Pharmacy and an MBA from St. Joseph's University.

About Intellia Therapeutics

Intellia Therapeutics, a leading clinical-stage genome editing company, is developing novel, potentially curative therapeutics leveraging CRISPR-based technologies. To fully realize the transformative potential of CRISPR-based technologies, Intellia is pursuing two primary approaches. The company's *in vivo* programs use intravenously administered CRISPR as the therapy, in which proprietary delivery technology enables highly precise editing of disease-causing genes directly within specific target tissues. Intellia's *ex vivo* programs use CRISPR to create the therapy by using engineered human cells to treat cancer and autoimmune diseases. Intellia's deep scientific, technical and clinical development experience, along with its robust intellectual property portfolio, have enabled the company to take a leadership role in harnessing the full potential of genome editing to create new classes of genetic medicine. Learn more at intelliatx.com. Follow us on Twitter @intelliatx.

Intellia Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" of Intellia Therapeutics, Inc. ("Intellia", "we" or "our") within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, express or implied statements regarding Intellia's beliefs and expectations regarding the safety, efficacy and advancement of our clinical programs and the anticipated contribution of the members of our board of directors, specifically Ms. Muna Bhanji, and our executives to our operations and progress.

Any forward-looking statements in this press release are based on management's current expectations and beliefs of future events, and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially and adversely from those set forth in or implied by such forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: risks related to our ability to protect and maintain our intellectual property position; risks related to our relationship with third parties, including our licensors and licensees; risks related to the ability of our licensors to protect and maintain their intellectual property position; uncertainties related to regulatory agencies' evaluation of regulatory filings and other information related to our product candidates; uncertainties related to the authorization, initiation and conduct of studies and other development requirements for our product candidates; the risk that any one or more of our product candidates, including those that are co-developed, will not be successfully developed and commercialized; the risk that the results of preclinical studies or clinical studies will not be predictive of future results in connection with future studies; and ther risks and uncertainties, and other important factors, any of which could cause Intellia's actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, see the section entitled "Risk Factors" in Intellia's most recent annual report on Form 10-Q, as well as discussions of potential risks, uncertainties, and other important factors in Intellia's other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All information in this press release is as of the date of the release, and Intellia undertakes no duty to update this information unless required by law.

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