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Dear Committee Members,

Women need separate spaces that are free from all male-bodied persons. Title IX provides protection for a specific sex-based class. Please uphold the special and protected class of women and girls.

As the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) considers its responsibility to implement President Biden's "Executive Order on Preventing and Combating Discrimination on the Basis of Gender Identity or Sexual Orientation" (E.O. 13988) and "Guaranteeing an Educational Environment Free From Discrimination on the Basis of Sex, Including Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity" (E.O. 14021), **I urge you to provide guidance affirming the permissibility of sex-based classification in certain narrowly drawn circumstances described in Title IX** of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681) and its implementing regulations.

Sincerely,

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