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TO: Secretary Cardona, US Department of Education
FROM: Carol Dansereau, member of the public
DATE: June 7, 2021
RE: COMMENT PERTAINING TO MARCH 11, 2021 FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE, REGARDING EO 14021, *Guaranteeing an Educational Environment Free from Discrimination on the Basis of Sex, Including Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity.*
PLEASE NOTE: *I wanted to present this statement verbally in the virtual hearing, but the on-line registration page did not work properly for me. Hence I have pasted my statement below, and I submit it as a written comment instead.*

The Gender Identity Ideology promoted by the Biden Administration dramatically undermines the rights of women, girls, gays and lesbians, and the health and education of children. As a person decidedly on the left end of the political spectrum, I object.

Because of the time limit I will focus on just two matters:

1) **SPORTS**

In nearly every sport, when females are pitted against males, invariably, all the top positions, trophies, and records go to males. We cannot win, set records, and enjoy careers as athletes, without sex-segregated sports, no matter how hard we train.

Performance data could not be clearer. In sport after sport, the very best female athletes in the world can be readily beaten by hundreds or even thousands of male athletes, including young boys not yet in their prime, and aging males well past theirs.

This is a matter of physiology that goes well beyond a males' current testosterone levels which when reduced, by the way, do not substantially reduce advantage. There are all sorts of other reasons for male advantage: the angle of the hip and thigh bones, the heart's capacity to get oxygen, the percent of fast-twitch muscle fibers, and more.

The Biden Administration must ensure that only biological females participate in female sports. We fought long and hard for female-only sports, and we will not let you push us backwards.

2) **GAY RIGHTS**

You can't say you are opposing discrimination against gays and lesbians while also promoting the irrational concept that gender identity trumps sex, i.e. that trans-identifying people actually are the sex they identify with.

Due to Gender Ideology, lesbians no longer have access to locations and websites that facilitate same sex relationships. These are all now used heavily by males who say they are women. Lesbians are being pressured by men, most with intact penises, to have sex with them. They are subjected to mistreatment if they don't give in.

With encouragement from the Biden Administration, the schools are pushing this madness, including teaching children that homosexuality isn't same sex attraction, it's same gender attraction. And that trans-identifying people are the sex they claim to be regardless of the scientific fact of their actual bodies. This is outrageous. The Biden Administration is fueling the new homophobia....one that is just as or even more virulent than the prior version. We will not stand by and let this happen.

I and countless others on the Left urge the Biden Administration to halt the teaching of Gender Identity Ideology in the schools.

We also urge the Administration to rescind its Gender Identity-enshrining Executive Order and to reverse its position on the so-called Equality Act. Support instead the Equality for All Act put forth by Women's Human Rights Campaign. It defends the right to be gender non-conforming without promoting the sexist anti-science homophobic concept of Gender Identity.

It moves us all forward instead of throwing women, gays and children under the bus.