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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my thoughts on the upcoming hearing on modifying Title IX to include sexual preference and gender identity. Laws already exist to protect these groups from unjust discrimination. No educational entity can refuse service to an individual due to their sexual preference or gender identity, or treat them any differently than other members of their biological sex. Title IX was created in order to protect women and girls from discrimination and to give them level playing fields in education and related activities. The only purpose of changing Title IX would be to expand access to gender specific programs and areas. Expanding Title IX to include gender identity will remove those protections. Women and girls will no longer be able to compete and excel in areas of physical competition. No matter how one identifies, one cannot change the physical reality that biological males have superior physical capabilities. If you allow biological males to compete in women's and girl's sports, you may as well end them altogether. Women and girls who have been victims of sexual or domestic abuse will be forced to share private spaces with biological males, creating traumatizing situations and potentially removing their ability to participate in many activities. Please keep the Title IX protections in place in their current form, or you risk invalidating the protections completely.

Sincerely,  
Erin Evan