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As a woman who attended publicly funded US schools and universities, I urge you to affirm the existence and importance of sex-based protections in implementing guidelines for 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 agree that it is just and wise to extend protections to sexual orientation and gender identity. My concern is that it would be calamitous for female students if the same executive orders ended protections on the basis of sex. It is important to acknowledge that sex as a concept is distinct from gender identity, and that sex as a biological reality has a direct impact in girls' experiences in school, including their physical safety and privacy in bathrooms and locker rooms, as well as their ability to compete in an equal field in school sports. This is the reason that Title IX allows single-sex policies when it comes to admissions, housing, sports, and bathrooms.

Respectfully,  
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