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To the Public Hearing,

i am Peggy Luhrs taxpayer (b)(6) I am commenting on the dangers to women and the dismissal of women's input into a policy that has so affects our lives and rights. Executive Orders 13988 and 14021 need to preserve women's sex based rights. These policies have been put forward by lobby groups focus on a tiny minority of the population and have not soicitedd input from women who are most affected by these proposed policies. It has seen the absurdities of changing language for the desires of this tiny and in my experience very sexist group demanding that words like mother be banned from use and other disparaging proposals to change the language for a group claiming marginalization even as it's money has influenced the federal government.

We need to preserve women's sex based rights. It is vital for women to have women only shelters, bathrooms and organization and that this be based on sex and not legal fictions or a faith based belief in the primacy of an indefinablegender identity.

Indeed, Title IX and its implementing regulations stipulate that **sometimes sex matters**. Existing statutory and regulatory provisions therefore permit schools to maintain single-sex admissions policies ([20 U.S.C. § 1681\(a\)\(1\)](#)), single sex housing ([34 C.F.R. § 106.32\(b\)](#)), athletic scholarships ([34 C.F.R. § 106.37\(c\)](#)), gym and health classes ([34 C.F.R. § 106.34\(b\)](#)), sports teams ([34 C.F.R. § 106.41\(b\)](#)), and locker rooms and bathrooms ([34 C.F.R. § 106.33](#)).

Transgender students and sex-based classification

The extension of *Bostock's* reasoning to Title IX, via E.O. 13988, means that transgender and gender non-conforming students are entitled to legal protection from harmful sex-based discrimination in all educational environments and opportunities. This protection should not and *does not* require denial of biological sex or the displacement of sex as a valid means of classification in contexts where sex matters.

Single sex classification is sometimes reasonably necessary to ensure fairness, privacy, equality, safety, and/or dignity. **Girls and women have valid legal interests in the continued legal permissibility of Title IX's sex-based classifications in educational settings including sports teams,^[i] locker rooms, bathrooms, and student housing.**

Keep women's sex based rights for women and girls.

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