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Dear US Department of Education,

I am writing to request that the Department of Education SAVE Girl's and Women's sports, Title IX was passed to create opportunities for girls and women. We must promote a safe and equal environment for these female athletes. It is unfair and above all, unsafe to allow transgirls and transwomen to compete against biological females. Girls are losing opportunities and women are losing their lives so that transwomen and transgirls can compete against them. Did you know that girls' opportunities were taken away? In Connecticut's state track and field championships, two male high school runners, Andraya Yearwood and Terry Miller, took first and second place in multiple events, beating out top high school girls from across the state. Yearwood was named Connecticut Athlete of the Year. Moreover, a female's life was ruined because a mixed martial art, male fighter Fallon Fox shattered female fighter Tamikka Brents' eye socket and gave her a concussion. Brents said she "never felt so overpowered in her life.

In addition, I am a parent of rugby boys that compete at the college level. Last year, the World Rugby governing body looked at the risks of bone and spinal injury to female athletes from competing with male athletes and banned male athletes from international competition based on safety alone. I would tell you that if my boys competed against college women, they could literally kill them.

Please keep girls and women safe and do allow them to compete with transgirls and transwomen who we *all* realize have been born biological males. These transgirls and transwomen are biologically bigger, faster, and more aggressive than their biological female counterparts.

Thank you ~  
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