

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

November 30, 2023

Dr. Miguel Cardona  
Secretary of Education  
Department of Education  
400 Maryland Ave SW  
Washington, DC 20202

Dear Secretary Cardona,

We are writing today to request an update on the progress of the Department of Education's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), RIN 1870-AA16, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," published in the federal registrar on July 12, 2022 and RIN 1870-AA19, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance: Sex-Related Eligibility Criteria for Male and Female Athletic Teams," published on April 13, 2023.

It is our understanding that these proposed rules were scheduled to be finalized last month, and we are concerned about the delay. For years, students across the country have lived under former President Donald Trump's Title IX policies that weakened protections for sexual assault and harassment survivors and sowed confusion about the extent of students' protections against sex discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and sex characteristics.

We appreciate the hard work put into updating the draconian Trump-era Title IX rule and other Title IX policies and know the Biden Administration shares our concern for student safety and wellbeing.


We request an updated timeline and urge you to dedicate all necessary resources to finalize these rules as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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Co-Chair  
Congressional Equality Caucus

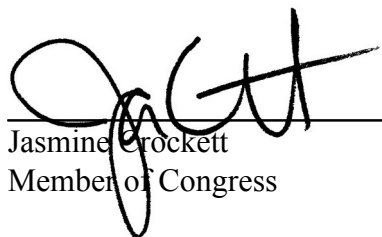
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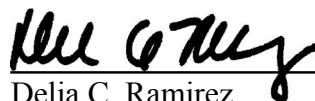
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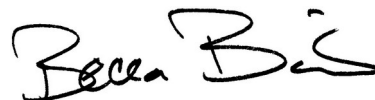
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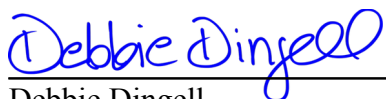


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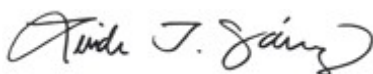
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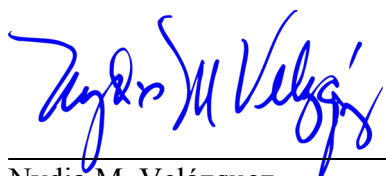
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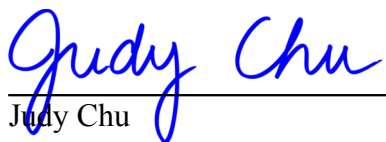
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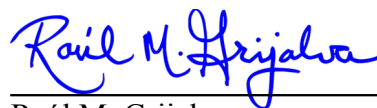
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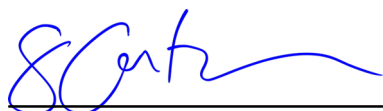
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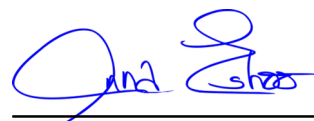
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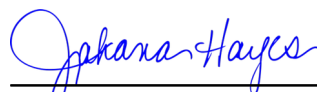
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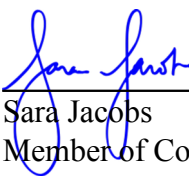
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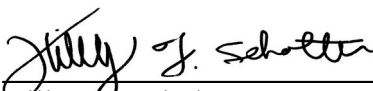
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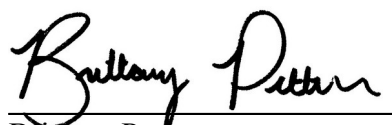
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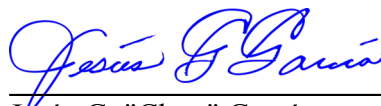
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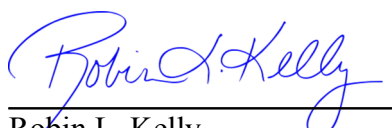
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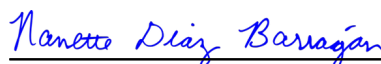
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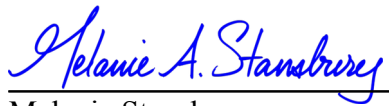


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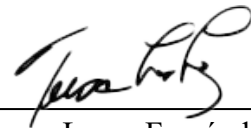
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