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The Honorable Pam Bondi Attorney General of the United States U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20530 The Honorable Linda McMahon Secretary U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202

Dear Attorney General Bondi and Secretary McMahon:

I am writing to urge immediate DOJ and DOE review of the National Junior College Athletic Association's (NJCAA), California Community College Athletic Association's (CCCAA), and Northwest Athletic Conference's (NWAC) policies that continue to allow individuals who are biologically male to compete in women's sports. As recently reported by *The Washington Times*, junior colleges "still welcome transgender athletes" in women's divisions even as the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) have adopted stricter policies that bar male participation in female categories. These policies raise substantial concerns regarding fairness, safety, and equal athletic opportunity for women.

This permissive approach appears inconsistent with Title IX's requirement that federally funded institutions protect equal opportunities for female athletes. In addition, President Donald Trump's February 5, 2025, Executive Order "Keeping Men Out of Women's Sports" clearly states that programs receiving federal funds must ensure that participation in women's sports is limited to biological females and directs federal agencies to enforce this standard in Title IX-covered settings.

Given these developments, I respectfully request that the Departments:

- 1. Investigate whether any NJCAA, CCCAA, or NWAC-member institutions receiving federal funds are violating Title IX by permitting male participation in women's athletics.
- 2. Assess whether these policies displace female athletes, compromise competitive fairness, or otherwise result in sex-based discrimination.
- 3. Take appropriate enforcement action or issue guidance consistent with federal law and the 2025 Executive Order.

Protecting the integrity of women's sports is a core civil rights obligation. I urge the Departments to act promptly. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Earl L. "Buddy" Carter Member of Congress