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May 2, 2022

Dear Ms. [REDACTED]:

Mahalo for contacting me with your support for H.R. 426, the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act.

If enacted, H.R. 426 would prevent a recipient of federal funds that operates, sponsors or facilitates athletic programs or activities from permitting a person whose sex is male to participate in a program or activity designed for women or girls. This bill has been referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor for review.

This bill is partly a response to Executive Order 13988. It confirms that transgender women are entitled to participate in women's sports under existing law (Title VII), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation. That law expresses our overall national policy that transgender individuals should not be treated as a third class of citizen. Although I understand your concerns as we apply this policy to sports, I believe that the alternative of requiring transgender women to participate solely in men's sports, and vice versa, or be excluded altogether from participation in sports, is not acceptable.

Thank you again, and please continue to let me know of your views. Please also sign up for regular updates from me and my office through my e-newsletter and social media outreach at <https://case.house.gov/contact>.

With aloha,

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