The Honorable Betsy DeVos  
Secretary of Education  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Room 6E310  
Washington, D.C. 20202  

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Dear Madam Secretary,

I write to share the University of Denver’s strong support of the American Council on Education’s (ACE) comment letter on the recently proposed revisions to Title IX regulations. These are in line with the comments submitted by the Association of American Universities (AAU) on January 24.

We share the Department of Education’s goal of having campus disciplinary processes that are clearly understood, based on an objective evaluation of relevant facts, consistently applied and fair to both parties. While some of the proposed regulations will help accomplish the goal of preventing campus sexual harassment and sexual assault, others would be a detriment to the progress that has been made by colleges and universities in recent years.

We are in full support of the recommendations made by ACE, AAU, as well as the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU). I urge the Department of Education to reevaluate many of the recently proposed provisions so that colleges and universities can continue to focus on being educational institutions, not arms of the criminal justice system.

Thank you for your consideration in this important matter.

Sincerely,

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