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Good Afternoon Esteemed Representatives,

I am writing to you all today as testimony in support of House Bills 7727 - Fairness in Women's Sports Act and 7781 - Parents Bill of Rights Act.

I support HB 7727 - Fairness in Women's Sports Act because I am the father of a daughter. As a former college athlete and in my continuation of athletics, the differences between men and women have been proven time and time again scientifically, no matter how much hormonal therapy is given to a young man or how little testosterone they may have after treatment. I would not want my daughter to participate in any athletics that would permit a biological male to participate in and steal away the potential opportunities, achievements, and awards that she could receive. Nor would I want her to be forced to share a locker room with a biological male! This bill would reinforce Title IX protections for women's sports and would reinforce safety in sport and in locker rooms. Men do not belong in women's sports, ever. We as a society need to come together and acknowledge that men and women are biologically different no matter how one may identify and stop permitting the false reality that a man can be a woman and a woman, a man. It is a falsehood that will and is causing more and more problems within society. Do the right thing, protect women's sports for your daughter, your niece, your neighbor's daughter, my daughter and all the other women who will compete after them.

I also support HB 7781 - Parents Bills of Rights Act. This is fundamental to being a parent. It also builds trust within parents that they have the ability to direct their child's education as they see fit. I would not want a school or other institution to withhold information about my daughter in school if it is even of slightest importance. As a parent it is my job to ensure she succeeds. It is also my job to to oversee her well being and make the best decisions I can for her health and that decision should not be taken away from me as a parent who has a significantly more invested interest to see her be healthy and successful. My interest far outweighs that of any state, medical, or any other political subdivision. Please do the right thing and ensure the passage of this bill.

Kind Regards,

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