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Dear Ms. Stafford,

We write to invite you to testify before the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) on Wednesday, July 29, 2015, for the hearing titled, "Reauthorizing the Higher Education Act: Combating Campus Sexual Assault." The hearing will be held in SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building at 9:00 a.m.

The goal of the hearing is to examine sexual assault on college campuses, which will include a discussion of bipartisan legislation, the Campus Accountability and Safety Act (S. 590). The hearing will further examine issues that are important to survivors of sexual assault, what institutions are doing to prevent and respond to the issue, and what is required by federal law under Title IX and the Clery Act, as amended recently by the Violence Against Women Act. Specifically, we would like you to speak about what is required in current law to promote student safety and combat sexual assault, and in particular, what is required by the Clery Act amendments to the Violence Against Women Act as well as your perspective on the challenges faced by institutions of higher education in meeting the law and regulatory requirements, and proactive steps taken by some universities to make campuses safer.

Committee rules require that written testimony be submitted in advance. Please e-mail a copy of your testimony, a one-page summary of that testimony, and a brief biography, in a Word document, to Hillary Knudson at Hillary_Knudson@help.senate.gov and Aissa Canchola at Aissa_Canchola@help.senate.gov no later than 12:00 p.m. on Monday, July 27th, 2015. We will distribute your testimony to the Senators on the committee so they can review it prior to the hearing. You will have the opportunity to provide a brief oral overview of your testimony to the committee. To maximize the time for discussion with committee members, your oral remarks should last no longer than five minutes.

If you have questions, please call Kristin Nelson from Chairman Alexander's office at 202-224-9799 or Melanie Rainer from Senator Murray's office at 202-224-0529. We both look forward to your insight and testimony on July 29, 2015. Your assistance to the HELP Committee is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Lamar Alexander
Chairman



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