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Dear Senators,

Independent Women's Law Center and Independent Women's Voice are proud to support the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act, sponsored by Senator Tommy Tuberville in the 118th Congress.

More than 50 years ago, Congress enacted Title IX to ensure equal opportunity in all aspects of education, including athletics. But without single-sex teams and single-sex competition, equal athletic opportunity is but a farce.

Forcing female athletes to compete against biological males is unfair. But it's also discriminatory. Allowing biological males to take awards, roster spots, scholarships, or spots at a school from female athletes violates Title IX's prohibition of discrimination "on the basis of sex." This bill makes that explicitly clear and puts athletic organizations, athletic directors, and bureaucrats at the Department of Education on notice that they may not adopt policies that promote "inclusion" on the backs of women.

We are thankful for Senator Tuberville's leadership on this important issue and urge all Senators to work toward the bill's swift passage to preserve equal athletic opportunity for both sexes.

Respectfully,

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Jennifer C. Braceras

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