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U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

**RE: USW supports the College Athletes' Bill of Rights framework**

Dear Senator:

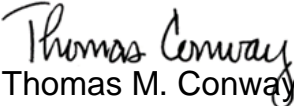
On behalf of the United Steelworkers (USW) union, I write in full support of the legislative framework for a comprehensive College Athletes' Bill of Rights put forth by Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ) and Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT).

NCAA sports is a predatory industry that exploits college athletes physically, economically, and academically. Unjust NCAA policies and practices have a disproportionate negative impact on Black college athletes, many of whom are from low-income homes. Black college athletes make up the majority of revenue sport athletes, yet suffer the lowest graduation rates.

Two decades ago, college athletes formed The National College Players Association (NCPA), and asked the USW to help college athletes secure basic protections and economic justice for players nationwide. Since then, the USW has stood in solidarity, side by side with the NCPA in pursuit of these goals. The College Athletes' Bill of Rights framework reflects the NCPA's vision for the fair treatment of college athletes, and the USW is proud to support it.

Our union strongly supports congressional action to put an end to the countless injustices that have plagued college athletes for generations by developing and adopting a sound College Athletes' Bill of Rights.

Sincerely,

  
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