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The Honorable Tim Ackert
Representative
Connecticut General Assembly
4200 Legislative Office Building
300 Capitol Ave.
Hartford, CT 6106

Dear Representative Ackert:

I wanted to reach out to you in light of your recent work on SB18. As a nonprofit organization committed to the preservation of academic freedom, excellence, and accountability, the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA) appreciates your efforts to ensure new regents and trustees receive proper instruction and training in their duties to the state and public institutions of higher education. We share your sentiment that their ability to govern efficiently is intrinsically tied to the training they receive.

In this spirit, I would like to offer our aid if there is any way we can be of assistance. For over 25 years, ACTA has worked with trustees and public officials across the country to ensure that all Americans can receive a high-quality education at an affordable price. We have testified before various state legislatures and commissions in states including Florida, New Jersey, Alaska, Georgia, Montana, Texas, and Pennsylvania, on matters such as curricular quality, academic assessment, and institutional accountability.

If there is anything we can do to help your efforts to support SB18, or in any matter in the future, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly.

We are immensely grateful for your commitment to American higher education, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Vice President of Trustee & Government Affairs

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