

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY

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The Honorable Patty Murray United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Murray:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Department of Education's Regulatory Task Force. As you know, on February 24, 2017 President Trump signed Executive Order 13777, *Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda*, to reduce regulatory burden on the American People through regulatory reform. Within the Department, the requirements of the Executive Order will be carried out through a collaborative effort by both political and career staff.

The Department of Education stands ready and is eager to implement the requirements of that order and work toward a more efficient and effective government for all.

Sincerely,

James F. Manning

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