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Representative Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins Alaska State Legislature

Mr. Kreiss-Tomkins,

I was pleased to learn of your sponsorship of HB 189, which would make hazing a crime in the state of Alaska. As you know, hazing is already considered a criminal act in forty-four states, and your proposed legislation will hopefully raise awareness and strengthen prevention of hazing in schools across the state.

As a researcher and anti-hazing presenter at nearly 50 schools, colleges, and universities in the past several years, I can confirm that students and student-athletes, coaches, teachers, parents, and administrators pay increased attention to the consequences of hazing activity when they are legislatively supported.

I applaud your efforts in proposing HB 189, and wholeheartedly support the passage of this important legislation.

Respectfully,

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