

**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC 20515

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Mr. Walter Harrison  
President  
University of Hartford  
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Dear President Harrison:

We write to you as co-sponsors of a House Resolution (H.Res. 145) encouraging the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and its member schools to adopt policies voluntary ending alcohol advertising during college sports broadcasts.

We are encouraged that the NCAA Executive Committee is seriously examining this issue and considering possible alcohol advertising policy reforms. A growing number of NCAA schools agree that alcohol advertising and college sports are a bad mix. In a short time, 228 schools in the NCAA – 22% of all the schools in the Association – have joined in a national effort to end alcohol advertising on college games.

We recognize that an end to alcohol advertising during televised college games will not, by itself, resolve the “culture of alcohol” that exists for too many college students. However, such a policy would declare and affirm colleges’ genuine and consistent commitment to a policy of discouraging alcohol use among underage students. At the Executive Committee’s upcoming meeting, we strongly urge the Committee to act on the side of the health and safety of college students, athletes and young fans by ending all alcohol advertising during NCAA broadcasts.

Again, we commend the Committee and the NCAA for taking up this important issue and we hope that you will take decisive action to help curb the culture of alcohol that infects too many of our nation’s campuses and puts too many young people at risk.

Sincerely,



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