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Mr. Seth Harris
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Dear Mr. Harris:

Congratulations on being chosen to serve on the Obama-Biden transition team. I can see that this is the daunting task that you and your colleagues face. It is in that spirit that I write on behalf of the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC) and the 218 presidents and chancellors of the nation's largest public universities and university systems it represents.

As you consider the myriad of policies and programs for the Department, we respectfully offer the following document for review by you and your colleagues as well as the new Secretary of Education. We believe that the attached document, reviewed by our presidents and chancellors of our member institutions at a meeting a few days ago, can be of assistance to you and the new Secretary as the higher education agenda is developed and can also be of help in the new Secretary's interactions with the broader higher education community from the outset.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Peter McPherson
President

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