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Dear Members of the S.C. Congressional Delegation:

As you are well aware, this is a challenging and confusing time for intercollegiate athletics. Universities and colleges across the country are laboring to find ways to successfully manage the sports enterprise at their institutions. At the University of South Carolina, we are experiencing the same difficulties in navigating an uncertain landscape in athletics.

On behalf of USC, I want to thank Senator Scott and Senator Graham for their votes in the Senate on the Protect College Sports Act. With the PCSA moving from the Senate to the House, I also want to take this opportunity to ensure our congressional leaders are aware of USC's position on this matter.

Here is the stance of both USC and the SEC as the House considers the pending bill:

- We are supportive of the Protect College Sports Act.
- We are neutral on the Section 205 provision.
- We are intent on working in close alignment with House leadership on efforts to get a law passed this year.

Reaching this point has been a long and arduous journey. Now that legislation has passed in the Senate, we are hopeful that no actions will inhibit the bill's forward progress or result in unresolvable conflict and stalemate. The law is needed now. To restart the process anew next year would be a significant setback.

If you have any questions for USC on this matter, please reach out to our Congressional Liaison, Steven Beckham (BECKHAM@mailbox.sc.edu).

As always, we are grateful for your support and your interest in the University of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Amiridis