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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to urge you to support legislation that prevents the doxing of transgender children. Publicly exposing personal information about minors for the purpose of harassment, intimidation, or discrimination is not only dangerous but also a direct violation of their right to privacy and safety.

Transgender youth are already at heightened risk of bullying, mental health struggles, and violence. Doxing only worsens these vulnerabilities, placing them at risk of harassment both online and in their communities. Furthermore, gender dysphoria is recognized in some states as a disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Targeting transgender children in this manner could be viewed as a form of disability-based harassment, akin to the bullying of children with other disabilities.

Our state has a responsibility to protect all children, regardless of gender identity. No child should have to live in fear of being targeted simply for being who they are. I strongly encourage you to support a law that explicitly prohibits the doxing of transgender minors and ensures meaningful consequences for those who engage in such harmful practices.

Thank you for your time and for considering the safety and well-being of all children in our state. I hope to see you take action on this critical issue.

Sincerely,  
Brendan Williams