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My name is Olivia Kjeldgaard, and I am a resident of Yarmouth. I am writing to express my support for allowing transgender youth to participate in school sports consistent with their gender identity.

Sports are about far more than competition—they are about belonging, teamwork, confidence, and personal growth. Every child deserves the opportunity to experience these benefits in a safe and supportive environment. Excluding transgender students from participating with their peers not only isolates them, but also sends a harmful message that they are less worthy of inclusion and respect.

As a community, we should be focused on ensuring all young people feel seen, valued, and supported. Transgender youth already face higher rates of bullying, mental health challenges, and social isolation. Inclusive sports policies can play a meaningful role in improving their well-being and helping them thrive.

I urge you to support policies that promote inclusion, fairness, and dignity for all students. Thank you for your time and consideration.