Honorabe Bab Nele:

Dear Bab,

Please note President Ford’s new Federal rules barring sex discrimination in all schools. It is morally wrong. And if you do not this bill and if ERA is ratified by 38 States, there results will be inevitable.

What will your constituents say then—Why were we defeated?

Thank you for reading this letter— I amstill opposed to ERA and pray Congress will not consider a state recinding as a state acceptor.
August 8, 1975

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Dear [Name]:

Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns with me in your recent letter.

Because Title IX regulations went into effect on July 21, dissatisfaction over them will have to be addressed by means of amendments to the law itself. A bill to exempt revenue-producing sports -- to the extent that they maintain their own teams -- and to allow separation of students by sex in physical education classes -- under certain conditions -- is already being considered on the House and a similar proposal has been introduced in the Senate. I feel that the principal thrust of Title IX has the acceptance of most students and educators affected, and find it unfortunate that so much controversy has been generated over the athletic provisions. The need for clarification is apparent, however, and I intend to work with those who are advocating more reasonable standards.

Thank you again for taking the time to write. If I may ever be of assistance to you in the future, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
United States Senate

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