The Towson University Board of Visitors fully supports President Maravene Loeschke and her leadership of the university. President Loeschke has taken the responsible approach to ensure that Towson athletics is fiscally responsible, compliant with federal Title IX law and competitive in the NCAA Colonial Athletic Association, Division 1 athletic conference.

The Board of Visitors is a service and advisory organization of Towson University established to provide advice to the President; to assist in community relations, fundraising and development; and to provide any other assistance the President may from time to time request. We help to steer the vision of the university, which includes advancing the institution to excellence—both academically and athletically.

Since her arrival, President Loeschke has done a tremendous job of engaging the students, faculty and staff; embracing the greater Towson community; and developing bridges to more businesses and civic organizations. She has brought focus to the University’s initiatives in STEM education and workforce development, innovation in teacher preparation and leadership development.

The University System of Maryland Board of Regents, the USM Chancellor, members of the Board of Visitors and several legal and financial experts have thoroughly examined and ultimately endorsed the Athletics Task Force’s recommendations. President Loeschke made this decision with transparency through the creation of a task force which included alumni of the two affected sports, holding open public forums and posting reports, data and updates on the website. After full examination of the data and careful deliberation, she made the decision necessary to enable Towson Athletics to be fiscally sound, federally compliant and competitive.

Making this final decision has put those involved under a great deal of stress and uncertainty over the past six months, especially the student athletes. Governor O’Malley and the General Assembly have put forth an unprecedented opportunity to address Title IX inequities; now it is time for all of us to move forward and work together to ensure that this opportunity is successful.

Sincerely,
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