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Mark A. Emmert  
President, National Collegiate Athletic Association

Dear President Emmert,

The Steering Committee of the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics, which represents 65 Division 1 faculties across the nation, has voted to support Darius Adams's petition to ban student-athletes, who have committed violent acts, from participating in intercollegiate athletics. In doing so, we acknowledge that our universities bear the primary responsibility to ensure that each individual case is fully investigated and adjudicated via the criminal justice system.

We believe that the NCAA has the moral responsibility to act judiciously, and most appropriately, to deny violent offenders the privilege of participation in intercollegiate athletics. Such a move would send a strong and clear message that this behavior by student-athletes will not be tolerated at any of our institutions.

Therefore, we urge you, as President, to recommend to the Board that the NCAA act decisively in this regard.

Sincerely yours,

Michael G. Bowen, Chair

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The Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics is an alliance of faculty governance bodies from the academic institutions in the Football Bowl Subdivision. COIA's mission is to promote the academic integrity of our universities, and to represent the interests of our faculties, non-athlete students and student-athletes in matters related to college sports that can significantly affect the health, sustainability and educational missions of our institutions.

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