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Mississippi Valley State University will perform in President Trump's inauguration parade on MLK Day



Members of the famed Mississippi Valley State University (MVSU) Mean Green Marching Machine show off uniforms. (Photo/Courtesy: MVSU).

ITTA BENA, MS— The celebrated "Mean Green Marching Machine" marching band from Mississippi Valley State University (MVSU) has received an invitation to participate in the 60th

in Washington, D.C., on January 20, 2025 which will coincide with the official birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This historic invitation highlights the band's legacy of excellence and

ing the university and Mississippi's rich heritage globally. This invitation continues MVSU's tradition of groundbreaking national performances.

## **Education Committee** gets H.R. 28 passed to protect women's sports

Chair Walberg celebrates House Passage of Bill to Protect Women's Sports

WASHINGTON, January 14, 2025 – Education and Workforce Committee Chairman Tim Walberg (R-MI) celebrated House Passage of H.R. 28, the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act. Authored by Rep. Greg Steube (R-FL), the legislation strengthens Title IX's protections for women, ensures a level playing field for female athletes, and protects the law from current and future radical regulatory schemes.

Chairman Walberg said: "The strides women have made across all corners of the sports world deserve to be celebrated and protected. Yet, girls and women are losing opportunities to compete when a biological male enters the field. How is this any different than keeping women off the field altogether? Allowing women and girls to suffer for the sake of the dishonesty of wokeness is inexcusable. I am pleased to see the Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act pass the House and I applaud Congressman Steube and the countless women who are fighting to protect the legacy—and future—of women's

athletics in this country." Speaker Johnson said: "This is a great day for women in America. House Republicans yet again stood up for women. Today, the House voted to uphold common sense. We voted to require all schools receiving federal funds to uphold the original meaning of Title IX and keep biological men out of women's sports. Last Congress, we also voted on this legislation. And not one Democrats joined us. The American people sent a clear message in November. They want a return to common sense, but Democrats are ignoring them."

Rep. Steube said: "The House has delivered on its promise to protect women's sports. Americans are united in our belief that men have no place in women's sports, whether it's breaking records, entering locker rooms, or stealing scholarship opportunities. Denying biological truth erases fairness in sports and puts women's safety and opportunities at risk. Today's passage sends a clear message to the Senate—protecting women and girls in sports is not negotiable."

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