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May 3, 2023

Douglas County School District Board of Trustees Attn: Keith Lewis, DCSD Superintendent CC: Jhone Ebert, Nevada Department of Education 1638 Mono Avenue Minden, Nevada 89423

Re: Future Agenda Item(s) Related to Gender and 14th Amendment Resolution



4362 W. Cheyenne Ave. North Las Vegas, NV 89032 702-366-1226 aclunv.org Dear Trustees and Superintendent Lewis:

We are writing to express concern with specific items that are slated for a second reading at your Douglas County School Board meeting in May as mentioned on your April 11, 2023, School Board Agenda Summary:

"Future Agenda Items - The Board added the following to the Future Agenda Items: 1) Creation of a policy that only students who are biologically female at birth may participate in girls' sports, bathrooms, and locker rooms, and only students who are biologically male from birth may participate in boys' sports, bathrooms and locker rooms...and 3) A discussion that no school materials including library books, text books and online courses will be allowed at Douglas County District that are not in line with the 14th amendment resolution that has been established in our district, also to include professional development and teacher training."

If these policies and practices are passed by the Board of Trustees, Douglas County School District will be in violation of various regulations promulgated by the Nevada Department of Education, various provisions within NRS, including NRS 651.050(2) et seq., multiple federal protections such as Title IX, Section 24 of the Nevada Constitution, and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

We urge you to immediately remove or vote against any of these unconstitutional policies. Policies of this nature do not belong in the state of Nevada. Your obligation as a board is to uphold the regulations of this state and to provide a safe and nurturing educational environment free from bullying and judgment. Any consideration of these policies is in direct violation of the law and your duties as a board and will result in litigation.

/s/ Tamika Shauntee Policy Strategist American Civil Liberties Union of Nevada