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Richard M. Englert
President of Temple University
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Dear President Englert:

I am writing regarding recent media reports indicating that Temple University's Fox School of Business and Management ("Fox") knowingly provided falsified data to rankings organizations over a multi-year period. Reports further suggest that, as a result of providing this false data, Fox was ranked as the nation's top Online MBA program and used such ranking to lure applicants.

As Attorney General, and the Chief Law Enforcement Officer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, my job is to ensure students and their families receive the benefit of the bargain when they make significant expenditures to advance their education. It is especially troubling to learn that an institution entrusted with significant Commonwealth funding to educate our citizens is alleged to have so flagrantly violated the trust of students, families and taxpayers alike.

Moving forward, it's critical that students and alumni alike have confidence in the value of their degree or certification from Temple University. Accordingly, I am directing my office's Bureau of Consumer Protection to further examine these reports, as well as Temple's business and marketing practices to determine whether these practices of falsifying data were limited to Fox or if any relevant laws were broken. To that end, please expect a detailed demand for information from my legal team next week. In the interim, I have directed our Assistant Director of the Bureau of Consumer Protection, John Abel, to make himself available to your counsel should you wish to discuss these issues in more detail. He can be reached at (717) 783-1439.

I look forward to Temple's anticipated cooperation.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Josh Shapiro".

JOSH SHAPIRO

CC: Michael B. Gebhardt, University Counsel, Temple University