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<u>Via Email~ alex@thefire.org</u> Alex Morey Program Officer, Individual Rights Defense Program Foundation for Individual Rights in Education 510 Walnut Street, Suite 1250 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

RE: Your letter to President Capilouto of February 3, 2022

Dear Ms. Morey:

President Capilouto asked me to respond to your letter. At the outset, I want to emphasize the University's commitment to Free Expression under the United States Constitution, the Kentucky Constitution, and Kentucky law.

The University does not punish or investigate students for the content of their expression. To do so would betray the very purpose of the institution. However, the University does investigate conduct that might rise to the level of a true threat or harassment.

One of the consequences of Twitter's character limit is that tweets are sometimes inartfully worded. The University is not investigating and has no plans to investigate the incident. I hope this resolves any misunderstanding.

Sincerely,

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