



Michigan House of Representatives
and Michigan Senate

March 25, 2021

Michigan State University Board of Trustees
Attn: Board Members
Hannah Administration Building
426 Auditorium Road, Room 450
East Lansing, MI 48824-1046

Re: Release of the approximately 6,000 documents relating to the Larry Nassar investigation

Dear Chairperson Byrum and Board Members:

We are writing to strongly urge you, as the leaders of Michigan State University, to waive privilege and release the approximately 6,000 documents related to the Larry Nassar investigation being conducted by the Attorney General's Office. Full transparency is essential to this investigation, and an impartial investigation is essential to restoring public trust.

When the Attorney General's Office began this investigation over three years ago, the Board of Trustees stated, "only a review by your Office (the Attorney General's Office) can resolve the questions in a way that the victims, their families, and the public will deem satisfactory and that will help all those affected by Nassar's horrible crimes to heal."

The Attorney General's Office has reviewed thousands of other documents and interviewed thousands of witnesses during the course of their investigation. However, the Attorney General's Office cannot complete its investigation without your cooperation and the release of these documents.

It is our understanding that members of the Board of Trustees have undertaken their own review of these documents so they might better evaluate the merits of releasing them. While we appreciate those efforts and the time involved, trust cannot be restored until the Attorney General's investigatory team has had the opportunity to review these documents as well.

The relevance and materiality of the documents should be evaluated and determined by the impartial investigatory team that has gleaned a great deal of information through their interviews and investigatory work over the past three years.

We hope the Board will act to help restore trust and faith in the University by waiving privilege and releasing the approximately 6,000 documents relating to the Larry Nassar investigation to the Attorney General's Office so the investigation can be completed.

Full transparency is essential to restoring public trust. We owe it to the survivors, families, students, faculty, employees, and the entire MSU community to have a full, transparent, and impartial investigation completed. You have the opportunity to ensure this happens.

It is time to resolve these questions in a way that restores trust with the survivors, their families, and the public, and so those affected by Nassar's horrible crimes can begin to heal.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Michigan Attorney General's Office