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## CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dr. Virginia Hardy, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs East Carolina University East 5th Street Greenville, NC 27858-4353

Dear Dr. Hardy:

Please allow me to congratulate you upon the celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dr. Jesse R. Peel LGBTQ Center housed within the Department of Intercultural Affairs at East Carolina University. I am disappointed that we are unable to celebrate this most important occasion in person, but I want you to know that my wishes are no less sincere through this written message.

For the last decade, the Peel LGBTQ Center has steadfastly served the ECU community. The Peel LGBTQ Center works each day to create a welcoming space for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer members of ECU's community through educational programs and events, advocacy services and collaborative partnerships across campus. I extend my sincere appreciation to the staff of the Peel LGBTQ Center for their work with students to provide a culturally competent community.

I extend to you my personal congratulations and best wishes on behalf of the people of the First Congressional District of North Carolina.

Very truly yours,

G. K. Butterfield Member of Congress