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Washington, DC 20548

April 17, 2018

The Honorable Tammy Duckworth  
United States Senate

Dear Senator Duckworth:

Thank you for your letter, jointly signed by Ranking Member Patty Murray, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, requesting that the Government Accountability Office review student parents in higher education.

GAO accepts your request as work that is within the scope of its authority. Your request has been assigned to Ms. Barbara D. Bovbjerg, Managing Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security and staff are available to begin the work shortly. Ms. Bovbjerg or a member of her team will contact Mr. Edward Edney to discuss the request, your needs, and the engagement objectives, scope, and methodology in accordance with GAO's protocols. As applicable, we will also be in contact with the cognizant Inspector General's office to ensure that we are not duplicating efforts. If an issue arises during this coordination, we will consult with you regarding its resolution.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bovbjerg at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED], or Mr. David Lewis, Assistant Director, Congressional Relations, on my staff at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Orice Williams Brown".

Orice Williams Brown  
Managing Director  
Congressional Relations

cc: Mr. Edward Edney

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