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February 23, 2023

The Honorable Martin J. Walsh
Secretary
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20210

Dear Secretary Walsh:

It is my understanding that you have been offered the position of executive director of the National Hockey League Players Association (NHLPA) and that you will soon resign as Secretary of Labor.¹ As you prepare to leave federal employment, I remind you that your office—whether it be in Washington, D.C., or in Boston—may contain materials that are relevant to requests made by the Committee on Education and the Workforce.²

In particular, these materials may be critical in providing answers to the Committee's inquiries related to ethics advice you received about your participation in labor-management activities and about your search for employment outside of the federal government.³ They may also be critical in providing answers to the Committee's inquiries related to your tenure as Vice-Chairman of the White House Task Force on Worker Organizing and Empowerment, your personal attendance at its meetings, and your communications with the private-sector parties involved with its recommendations to the President and implementation of those recommendations.⁴ In addition, the Committee has an interest in any materials pertaining to your decision-making regarding the promulgation of Department of Labor (DOL) regulations and your duties and decision-making

¹ Nick Niedzwiadek, *It's Official: Labor Chief Walsh Jumps Ship For Hockey Players' Union*, POLITICO, Feb. 16, 2023, <https://www.politico.com/news/2023/02/16/labor-secretary-walsh-hockey-step-down-00083299>; NHLPA, NHLPA EXECUTIVE BOARD APPOINTS MARTIN J. WALSH AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (Feb. 17, 2023), <https://www.nhlpa.com/news/1-22447/nhlpa-executive-board-appoints-martin-j-walsh-as-executive-director>.

² Letter from Rep. Virginia Foxx, Chairwoman, H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, to Martin J. Walsh, Sec'y of Lab. (Jan. 12, 2023), https://edworkforce.house.gov/uploadedfiles/01.12.23_follow_up_letter_dol.pdf.

³ Letter from Rep. Virginia Foxx, Chairwoman, H. Comm. on Educ. & the Workforce, to Seema Nanda, Solic. of Lab. (Feb. 7, 2023), https://edworkforce.house.gov/uploadedfiles/02.07.2023_letter_to_walsh_re_nhlpa.pdf.

⁴ Exec. Order No. 14,025, 86 Fed. Reg. 22829 (Apr. 26, 2021); WHITE HOUSE TASK FORCE ON WORKER ORGANIZING AND EMPOWERMENT, REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT (Feb. 7, 2022), <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/White-House-Task-Force-on-Worker-Organizing-and-Empowerment-Report.pdf>.

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while serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Pension Benefits Guaranty Corporation.

I request that you retain such materials in a manner that can be easily accessed by DOL staff and future Secretaries of Labor so that they can respond to Committee inquiries.

Sincerely,



Virginia Foxx
Chairwoman

CC: The Honorable Julie Su, Deputy Secretary