October 15, 2018

The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson
Ranking Member, Committee on Science,
Space, and Technology
U.S. House of Representatives
394 Ford House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Johnson,

On behalf of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) I am writing to applaud your leadership in addressing harassment in science, technology, engineering and mathematics disciplines.

AAAS has a long-standing commitment to addressing misconduct and harassment in the scientific community, most recently demonstrated by the elected AAAS Fellow revocation policy (https://www.aaas.org/programs/fellows/revocation-process) announced last month. We agree with many in the research enterprise that a broad community effort is needed to end sexual and other forms of harassment in science. Your legislation will help to contribute to a better understanding of the problems that scientists face and effective interventions for addressing harassment.

We must work together to ensure that science and engineering workplaces enable everyone to contribute and thrive.

Sincerely,

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