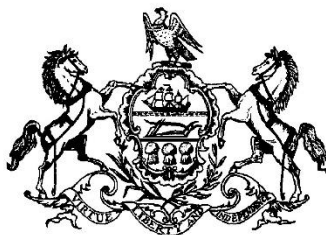


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I am writing to formally invite you to participate in a hearing held by the House Democratic Policy Committee regarding the recent closure of the University of the Arts. This hearing is scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2024, at William Way LGBT Community Center. We believe your presence is crucial for addressing the concerns and questions raised by this significant event.

The closure of UArts has had a profound impact on our community, and it is imperative that we understand the circumstances and decisions that led to this outcome. As key leaders of the institution, your insights and explanations are essential for providing transparency and clarity to the students, staff, faculty, and the broader community who have been affected.

Your testimony will be invaluable in helping us understand the full context of this decision and in ensuring that all stakeholders are adequately informed and supported. We anticipate a serious and constructive dialogue, focused on finding solutions and providing the necessary support to those affected by the closure.

Please confirm your availability to attend the hearing ASAP. Should you have any questions or require further information, do not hesitate to contact my office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your participation and to working together towards a resolution that serves the best interests of our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Waxman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ben Waxman
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