We, the undersigned organizations, celebrate the inclusion of the bipartisan, bicameral College Transparency Act (H.R. 2030, S. 839) as an amendment to the America COMPETES Act (H.R. 4521), which passed the House of Representatives today. We thank U.S. Representatives Andy Levin (D-MI), Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH), Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL) and Bryan Steil (R-WI) for sponsoring the amendment and their leadership on this important policy.

The bill was introduced on a bicameral basis by Representatives Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL), Joe Wilson (R-SC), Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ), Bryan Steil (R-WI), and Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Senators Bill Cassidy (R-LA), Elizabeth Warren (D-MA), Tim Scott (R-SC), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI). The bill is currently cosponsored by 70 House members and 34 Senate members and enjoys broad bipartisan support. The bill has also been endorsed by nearly 150 organizations, representing students, higher education institutions, business, workforce and community development groups, veterans, and civil rights advocates.

CTA will improve information on higher education outcomes to empower students and families to make important postsecondary decisions; create a strong evidence-base for policymaking; and strengthen institutions’ efforts to increase college completion. The bill creates a secure, privacy-protected system that will maximize the impact of the investments made in higher education in support of our nation’s students. Its implementation would ensure America’s students have accurate information on college access, affordability, and completion, and it would enable them to make more informed choices about their education and career pathways.

We strongly urge policymakers to ensure this important measure is enacted as part of the final America COMPETES Act.

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American Educational Research Association
American GI Forum
Association for Career and Technical Education
Association of Public and Land-grant Universities
Campaign to Protect Student Veterans
Cerebly, Inc.
College Now Greater Cleveland
Complete College America
Data Quality Campaign
Institute for Higher Education Policy
Jobs for the Future (JFF)
MCEC - Military Child Education Coalition
National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA)
National College Attainment Network
National Military Family Association
National Skills Coalition
New America
Nexus Research and Policy center
NY Association of Training and Employment Professionals
Postsecondary Analytics
Scholarship America
Software & Information Industry Association
South Asian Fund For Education Scholarship and Training Inc (SAFEST)
Student Veterans of America
Swords to Plowshares
The Education Trust
The Institute for College Access & Success (TICAS)
Third Way
Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Veterans Education Success
Veterans for Common Sense
Wounded Paw Project
Young Invincibles