



# The Drake Group

Realizing the Promise of College Athletics



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National Public Service Award

THE HONORABLE  
CHRISTOPHER MURPHY

United States Senator  
for Connecticut

***Honoring an elected public official responsible for advancing legislation that would significantly improve the conduct of intercollegiate athletic programs, enhance the rights of college athletes, or otherwise protect their education, health and safety.***

In recognition of your efforts to educate the public and members of Congress about significant concerns related to the conduct of intercollegiate athletic programs through a series of timely and fact-based reports:

- ***Madness Inc. - How everyone is getting rich off college sports – except the players***
- ***Madness Inc. - How colleges keep athletes on the field and out of the classroom***
- ***Madness Inc. - How colleges leave athletes broken and abandoned***

Further, The Drake Group recognizes your consistent efforts as a lead sponsor of significant legislation that would enhance the rights of college athletes and improve the conduct of intercollegiate athletic programs, specifically:

- **College Athlete Economic Freedom Act (S.238-117<sup>th</sup>)** - To establish name, image, likeness, and athletic reputation rights for college athletes, and for other purposes.
- **College Athlete Right to Organize Act (S. 1929-117<sup>th</sup>)** – To establish collective bargaining rights for college athletes, defines college athletes on scholarship as employees, specify that the NLRB must consider athletes within an athletic conference consisting of public or private institutions as a bargaining unit with NLRB jurisdiction.
- **Standardization of Collegiate Oversight of Revenues and Expenditures (SCORE) Act (S.1225-117<sup>th</sup>)** - To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to report revenue generated by each sports team, and for other purposes.