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Atlantic Christian College
Wilson, N. C. 27893

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Mr. William Thomas
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Dear Mr. Thomas:

I am writing to request the allowable exemption to the application of Title IX: Prohibition of Sex Discrimination. The requested exemption is provided for under Part 86: Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex Under Federally Assisted Education Programs and Activities, Subpart B: Coverage, Item 86.12 A and B. Based on this allowance, I respectfully request that Atlantic Christian College be allowed to prohibit unmarried pregnant females from maintaining residence in our College dormitories.

Atlantic Christian College was founded and continues to be sponsored by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) whose moral and ethical principles do not condone sexual relationships out of wedlock. Because one of the important ways by which the College attempts to develop the moral character of its students is role modeling, the presence of unmarried pregnant women in our dormitories clearly contradicts our efforts. The Christian Church expects the College to demonstrate through teaching, rules, and action those moral and ethical values which represent the highest achievements of mankind. Atlantic Christian College believes that the presence of unmarried pregnant females in our dormitories defines for the other women living in those dormitories undesirable moral and ethical principles. Therefore, we are requesting that you grant to us exemption from the application of this portion of Title IX. It is very important that we have your decision at the earliest possible time.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing from you very soon.

Sincerely,
James B. Hemby, Jr.
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President

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cc Mr. Gordon Joyner
V.P. for Student Affairs