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Dear University President,

The politically motivated murder of activist, husband, and father Charlie Kirk should serve as a wakeup call to the higher education community. It is beyond high time that colleges and universities acknowledge that they have a special responsibility to create a safe environment for the free and open exchange of ideas and open inquiry on their campuses. This responsibility carries additional weight when it comes to conservative speakers and students, who face heightened risk to life and limb in the current political environment.

Public colleges and universities have a legal obligation to comport with the First Amendment's constitutional protections for free speech and association. However, no institution of higher education—public or private—can be worthy of the name if it permits the assassin's veto to silence free expression, inquiry, and association.

On behalf of thousands of students nationwide, Young America's Foundation asks you and your institution to sign the Contract for Safe Campus Dialogue and commit to making your campus safe for conservative ideas and speakers.

By signing the below, you and your institution agree to:

- Ensure that conservatives, as well as others along the ideological spectrum, are welcome to talk on campus.
- Ensure that students, speakers, and staff are safe at all events on campus by allocating appropriate security.
- Ensure that all school faculty, staff, and administrators support all students along the ideological spectrum equally and in good faith.

Yes, I agree with these objectives.

Signed,		Date
Title	Institution	

YAF stands ready to work with your institution to host any of our campus speakers or address security concerns to protect the campus community.

Gratefully,

Governor Scott Walker President, Young America's Foundation