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Draft Joint Statement

We appreciate the ACC's reaffirmation of its strong commitment to diversity and inclusion for all students, faculty, staff and visitors, as well as the decision to keep ACC championship contests on our campuses. However, today's decision to move neutral-site championships is disappointing and will negatively affect many North Carolinians, especially in the affected host communities.

We support the ACC's efforts to eventually bring those neutral-site championships back to North Carolina.

Meanwhile, we will continue to work with the conference to ensure that all appropriate accommodations are made for our own student-athletes and visiting teams and fans who come to our campuses.

UNC-Chapel Hill and NC State remain steadfast in our commitment to welcoming and supporting all people. Our policies ensure that students, faculty and staff are protected from discrimination, regardless of age, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or veteran status. As such, we remain dedicated to providing and promoting equal opportunity and non-discrimination to everyone who participates in athletic events on our campuses.