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Hatch Calls for Equal Pay for Female Athletes

Washington, DC—Today, Orrin G. Hatch, Chairman Emeritus of The Orrin G. Hatch Foundation, released the following statement regarding the pay disparity between male and female athletes:

"I extend my warmest congratulations to the U.S. women's soccer team in its 13-0 win over Thailand. While we cheer our team on in the Women's World Cup, here at home, we can and must do more to ensure pay equity for all athletes," said Hatch. "Hosting the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympics and Paralympics was one of the proudest moments I had as a U.S. Senator to welcome the world to Utah and to showcase our country's finest athletes. Just like then, the world's eyes are on us to do the right thing. I trust that the U.S. Soccer Federation and other policymakers will once and for all end this two-tiered, gender-based structure that has unfairly discriminated against female athletes."

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