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Dear Dr. Benton:

Thank you for your letter of April 26, relating to the American College of Pediatricians' "Facts About Youth" project. I was quite troubled by the way you quoted material from my book to support your claims. In particular, you inserted part of a sentence from p. 263 in such a way that it appeared to refer to sexual orientation, which was not the context of that quoted passage. I stand by the statement on the NIH Director's Web site.

Sincerely yours,

Francis S. Collins, M.D., Ph.D.
Director