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To whom it may concern:

On behalf of Visit Indy, Indianapolis' official destination management organization, I am writing to support Indy's bid to host both the 2025 USA Club Rugby Association Nationals and the 2025 Collegiate Rugby Association of America National Championships.

Our city boasts a rich and extensive legacy of fostering economic growth and nurturing communities through the medium of sports. Through the collaborative endeavors of our dedicated civic and community leaders over the past 40+ years, Indy has ascended to national prominence as a world-class host of amateur and professional sporting events of all sizes.

We have diligently invested in cultivating a robust sports-focused ecosystem, encompassing sports innovation, medical researchers, academic scholars, and experts in the business of sports. This dynamic environment has led many esteemed governing bodies such as the National Collegiate Athletic Association, USA Track & Field, and USA Gymnastics, among others, to call Indy home.

Furthermore, our city has meticulously developed a hospitality industry primed to deliver exceptional athlete and fan experiences for significant sporting events such as the NFL Combine (annually since 1987), Super Bowl XLVI, and, in 2024, the NBA All-Star game and USA Olympic Swimming Trials.

This bid is an integral part of our overarching vision to introduce world-class rugby to Indianapolis, culminating in the grand stage of the 2031 Rugby World Cup.

Your tournament will discover a passionate fan base, outstanding venues, and a community wholeheartedly committed to ensuring your championships are seamless and memorable.

Warm regards,

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "LH".

Leonard Hoops
President & CEO
Visit Indy & Tourism Tomorrow Indy