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To Whom It May Concern:

Indianapolis has a long and successful record of using sport to drive community and economic development. Recently, I learned of SOK's interest in revitalizing Kuntz stadium to bring another sports governing body, professional sports team and global competitions to Indianapolis.

A revitalized Kuntz stadium would be one of three rugby specific facilities in the US and the only facility with adjacent fields. The proposed redevelopment could attract USA Rugby to Indianapolis and support professional rugby. In addition, a new Kuntz stadium could anchor an Indianapolis bid to host the world's third largest sporting event, the Rugby World Cup which will be held in the US in 2031 for men and 2033 for women.

Further, a revitalized Kuntz stadium and fields would be an invaluable asset to the Riverside community and SOK has committed to supporting community engagement. Finally, a redeveloped Kuntz stadium would link important city investments in 16Tech, Riverside Park, IU Health and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

We are pleased to support this vision for Kuntz and Indianapolis.

Sincerely,



John F. Hirschman  
President & CEO