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To Whom it may concern,

I was pleased to recently hear that SOK Global Sports has put together a proposal to work with the City of Indianapolis Parks and Recreation Department to reconstruct and rebuild Kuntz Stadium on West 16th street.

As Kuntz Memorial Stadium is named after William Kuntz Sr., who was the Executive Director of the Catholic Youth Organization during the 1970's and '80's, this location and facility still holds a very special place in all our hearts at CYO! For many years, this was a central hub for many CYO games and events. In time, upkeep of the facility became too much for CYO to shoulder alone, and the stadium was sold.

Having seen the new plans for this facility, all of us at CYO are excited to see this space developed into a world-class stadium and field, capable of hosting a variety of sports. It will become a beacon of light on the near west side of Indianapolis!

As CYO provides athletic opportunities for over 16,000 youths and 6,000 adult volunteers each year, we are always looking for great locations at which to hold our variety of grade school and high school sporting events! Subject to expenses involved in the rental of these new facilities, CYO would certainly be interested in using this updated and remodeled facility.

Please know that the CYO Staff are extremely excited about this project and the possibility to begin hosting CYO events at Kuntz Stadium once again. No doubt, it will bring back some wonderful memories for numerous people who had played on that field in the past. SOK Global has our full support in this endeavor!

Sincerely,

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