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To Palm Coast City Management:

We the board of Palm Coast Little League (PCLL) are in receipt of the attached email, dated November 17, 2015, from Luciana Santegelo, City of Palm Coast Parks and Recreation Director. The email stipulates that the city has determined to allocate the Indian Trails Sports Complex baseball/softball facilities for use by the organizations on the dates as listed below:

April 22 thru April 24, 2016

Triple Crown Baseball – entire complex

May 20 thru May 22, 2016

Triple Crown Baseball - entire complex

March 26 thru April 1, 2016

Field 2 allocated for use at various times by a out of town/state high

School team

This notification is viewed by the PCLL Board as a violation of the agreement between the City of Palm Coast (the City) and PCLL dated and signed by City Manager Jim Landon on December 20, 2007. This agreement stipulates:

Recitals: "The City and Little League enter into an agreement regarding the use of the baseball/softball fields at Holland Park and Indian Trails Sports Complex..."

Section 1. Agreement/USE: "During the term of the agreement, Little League shall have primary proportional right to use the Complex between January 15 through July 31 and between September 1 through November 30 of each year. The proportional usage shall be based upon a lottery system....., in which the Little League would be awarded a number of draws proportionate to the number of participants in the programs of the Little League relative to baseball and softball and the proportionate number of other participants of other organizations in baseball and softball programs."

Section 2 Term: The term of this agreement shall commence on the even date hereof (the Commencement Date) and shall expire 15 years from the Commencement Date (agreement signed by Jim Landon December 20, 2007)....."

Little League has received no notification from the City regarding a lottery of any type, and has not been granted the opportunity to exercise the primary proportional use rights provided for in the attached and previously referenced agreement.

As such, the PCLL Board is informing the City of our belief that the actions taken by the City and Communicated to PCLL in the Santangelo email of November 17, 2015 violate the terms of the Agreement and should be considered null and void.

PCLL request the City notify PCLL via certified letter within 7 days of receipt of this communication regarding the following:

- 1. What were the procedures, and actions taken by the city that comply with the required contractual obligations regarding the allocation of Indian Trails Sports Complex for use by the parties previously referenced herein, the date those actions took place and the name of those from the City and PCLL that participated in the required lottery system;
- 2. The City's intention of whether to cancel the previously communicated allocation of Indian Trails Sports Complex to parties outside of the referenced contract.
- 3. Of any dates and times that the City intends to work with PCLL via the lottery system referenced in the agreement, providing PCLL the opportunity to exercise their rights as defined in the agreement.

PCLL is a volunteer organization run with 100% volunteer efforts. We provide a community based environment for the families of Palm Coast. Our volunteers include Board Members, Managers, Coaches, Concession workers, Umpires and many others. In calendar 2015 PCLL estimates over 92,044 activity hours provided to the children of Palm Coast. With total registration fees for the calendar year of \$43,600 dollars the participants pay an hourly cost of approximately 47 cents per hour of activity. PCLL believes that no other youth organization in Flagler County offers the value per cost that we provide.

In calendar 2015 PCLL workers contributed an estimated 36,239 hours of no charge volunteer time. No person that works in the PCLL organization received any monetary compensation for any work provided to the Little League. If you calculated a minimal labor rate against these volunteer hours you could estimate a conservative net value assigned to the volunteer hours provided of \$371,140 dollars.

Any one that follows the news understands that the value delivered by PCLL far outweighs the financial metrics referenced herein. The children of Palm Coast are provided an opportunity to learn many life lessons regarding the value of hard work, being a team mate, respecting authority, helping others and much more.

The Tourist Development Council goals of bringing revenue to the City and its businesses thru allocating city facilities to "for profit" tournament baseball programs provides some small measure of benefit to the community. PCLL believes that the value delivered from this action in no way compares with the value the Little League delivers to the City thru the provision of services to Palm Coast children and their families. Additionally, PCLL believes the benefit of travel baseball/softball tournaments in no way justifies the City violating the terms of the agreement between the City and PCLL. The children of Palm Coast should not be penalized thru the contracting of city facilities to "for profit" organizations.

We are in full planning mode for the PCLL Spring Season. We are available to meet at your convenience. We ask for your immediate attention to the content of this letter, the request made herein, and notification whether the city intends to move forward with the plans for use of Indian Trails Sports complex that PCLL believes violates the terms of our mutual agreement.

Regards:

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Subject: Baseball Tournament and visiting team

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Good Afternoon Patrick,

I wanted to let you know that our Tourist Development Council has secured a baseball tournament for 2 weekends in the Spring. Triple Crown will be hosting their event at the ITSC Baseball Fields on Friday, Saturday and Sunday April 22-24 andMay 20-22. I am trying to get more detailed information regarding this event and will provide to you as soon as possible.

PCLL will have use of Holland Park and Seminole Woods Neighborhood Park these two weekends.

Also, we will be hosting a visiting high school baseball team the week of March 26-April 1. They will practice both during the day and evening. They will be using field 2. This team is visiting from St. Louis. This is their second visit to Palm Coast, this past Spring was their first time here. They will be using the field on the following days/times: (should be minimal impact to PCLL)

Saturday, March 26

7:00p-9:00p

Sunday, March 27

3:30p-6:30p

Monday, March 28

9a-12noon and 7p-9p

Wednesday, March 30

9a-12noon and 7p-9p

Thursday, March 31

9a-12 noon

Friday, April 1

9a-12noon

If you should have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

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