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Commissioner Gary B Betteman National Hockey League 1251 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020

#### Dear Commissioner Betteman:

I am writing on behalf of the Toronto Maple Leafs with respect to the Minutes of the Board of Governors meeting of September 14, 2006, which were received by the Maple Leafs with a cover memo dated November 9, 2006. Those Minutes refer to a statement made to the Competition Bureau by the National Hockey League. According to the Minutes, the National Hockey League intended to confirm in writing to the Competition Bureau that a transfer of a team into the home territory of an existing member would require only a majority vote, despite the specific provisions of Article 4 of the National Hockey League constitution. The Minutes state that the Board did not object to this action.

The Toronto Maple Leafs do *not* agree that a relocation of another club into their home territory would be subject to a majority vote. They continue to believe that a unanimous vote would be required before a team could be relocated into their home territory.

The statement in the Minutes that none of the Board members objected to the statement about relocation into home territories does *not* represent the Maple Leafs' position, as there were no representatives of the Toronto Maple Leafs present during that portion of the September 14, 2006 meeting. The Minutes make it clear that no resolution was proposed or adopted with respect to this issue and no vote was taken on this issue. Accordingly, it continues to be the position of the Maple Leafs that, no matter what may have happened at the September 14 Board meeting, the relocation of any team into the Maple Leafs exclusive home territory would require a unanimous vote. The Maple Leafs they reserve all rights to take whatever actions are necessary to protect their exclusive rights to their home territory.

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2	ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULE THAT WOULDN'T VIOLATE ANY	2	GENERALLY I WOULD SAY THAT WOULD BE THEIR PUBLIC
3	RULES OF THE CBA OR, IF NECESSARY, WOULD GET	3	POSTURE.
4	SEEK TO GET A WAIVER FROM THE UNION ON ANY	4	Q HAVE YOU SEEN THEIR FILINGS IN THIS
5	POINTS TO ALLOW AN ALTERNATIVE SCHEDULE TO BE	5	CASE?
6	PREPARED?	6	A I'VE SEEN SOME OF THEIR FILINGS, YES.
7	A NOT SPECIFICALLY WITH RESPECT TO	7	Q AND YOU'RE AWARE THAT THEIR FILINGS
8	WAIVERS OF SCHEDULING COMMITMENTS. I KNOW THERE	8	ARE EXCLUSIVELY CONCERNED WITH MAKING SURE THAT
9	WAS A HIGH-LEVEL CONCERN FROM THE PLAYERS	9	WHATEVER THE NEW OWNERSHIP IS, WHETHER IT'S IN
10	ASSOCIATION THAT IF THE SITUATION WASN'T	10	PHOENIX OR IN HAMILTON OR TIMBUKTU, THAT THE
11	RESOLVED VERY QUICKLY, IT BECAME A VERY BAD	11	PLAYERS GET PAID; IS THAT FAIR?
12	SITUATION FOR THE PLAYERS, SOMETHING THAT THEY	12	MR. GOLDFEIN: OBJECT TO THE FORM OF
13	WEREN'T IN FAVOR OF. AND IN FACT, THE PLAYERS	13	THE QUESTION.
14	ON THE COYOTES WERE IN FAVOR OF NOT TRANSFERRING	14	A NOT SURPRISINGLY, BUT YEAH, THAT'S
15	AT ALL. THEY WANTED TO REMAIN IN PHOENIX.	15	THEIR PRIMARY CONCERN.
16	THAT'S WHAT I HEARD FROM THE PLAYERS	16	Q YES. LET ME ASK YOU THIS. TO YOUR
17	ASSOCIATION.	17	KNOWLEDGE, HAS THE LEAGUE OFFICE STARTED ANY
18	Q BUT THE PLAYERS ASSOCIATION ALSO TOLD	18	WORK TO CONSIDER, SINCE MAY 5TH, 2009, THE
19	YOU, IS IT NOT TRUE, THAT THEY WERE AS A	19	VIABILITY, STRENGTH OR DESTRABILITY OF HAMILTON
20	UNION, THEY WERE NEUTRAL ON THE MOVE BUT THEY	20	AS A LOCATION FOR AN NHL FRANCHISE?
21	PREFERRED IF IT HAPPENED SOONER, EITHER NOT	21	A WHAT I WOULD SAY IS WE BEGAN
22	HAPPEN OR HAPPEN SOONER? ISN'T THAT A FAIR	22	PROCESSING A RELOCATION APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY
23	STATEMENT THE UNION'S POSITION?	23	MR. BALSILLIE AND THAT PROCESS ENDED OR WE
24	A I'M NOT SURE IF NEUTRAL IS A FAIR TERM	24	DIRECTED IT TO BE ENDED AS OF JULY 29th, WHEN
25	OR THAT I'D BUY THAT CHARACTERIZATION. BUT	25	HE WAS FOUND NOT SUITABLE TO BE AN NHL OWNER.
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2	O WHO DIRECTED THAT THE PROCESS STOP ON	1	
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2	THAT.	2	ADVERTISE IN HAMILTON ON A REGULAR BASIS AND
3	A NOT HAMILTON SPECIFICALLY, NO.	3	THEY, IN FACT, ATTEMPT TO ADVERTISE IN TORONTO
4	Q OR I'D SAY THE SOUTHERN ONTARIO	4	AS WELL.
5	SPECIFIC BUT NOT TORONTO SPECIFIC, HAVE YOU DONE	į.	Q IS HAMILTON WITHIN THE HOME TERRITORY
6	ANYTHING DIRECTED AT THAT SOUTHERN PART OF	6	OF BUFFALO AS THAT IS DEFINED IN THE
7	ONTARIO?	7	CONSTITUTION FOR HOME TERRITORY RIGHTS WITH
8	MR. GOLDFEIN: ISN'T TORONTO IN	8	RESPECT TO RELOCATION?
9	SOUTHERN ONTARIO?	9	MR. GOLDFEIN: OBJECT TO THE FORM OF
10	A YEAH, I'M NOT SURE I CAN SEPARATE	10	THE QUESTION.
11	THOSE TWO.	11	A I HAVEN'T PERSONALLY MEASURED, SO I
12	Q TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAS EITHER OF YOUR	12	DON'T KNOW FROM PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE.
13	TEAMS, ANY OF YOUR TEAMS DONE MARKETING	13	Q THE TEST IS 50 MILES FROM THE CITY; IS
14	SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED AT THE HAMILTON AREA?	14	THAT CORRECT?
15	A EITHER OF?	15	A FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY,
16	Q ANY OF YOUR TEAMS.	16	YES.
17	A ANY OF OUR TEAMS?	17	Q YES. YOU'RE AWARE, ARE YOU NOT, THAT
18	Q YES.	18	HAMILTON IS WITHIN 50 MILES FROM THE CORPORATE
19	A I WOULD IMAGINE BUFFALO HAS, YES.	19	LIMITS OF TORONTO?
20	O WHEN YOU SAY YOU IMAGINE, DO YOU HAVE	20	A I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT'S THE CASE.
21		21	O HAVE YOU EVER HEARD ANYONE SAY THAT
22		22	BUFFALO IS WITHIN 50 MILES AS WELL?
23	JUST SPECULATING, WELL, MAYBE THEY ARE THE ONES	1	A I BELIEVE I HAVE, YES.
24	THAT DID IT?	24	O WHO HAS SAID THAT?
25	A NO, I'M PRETTY CERTAIN THEY ACTUALLY	25	A OVER A TIME, I HAVE HEARD THAT.
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1	WILLIAM DALY	1	A IT WOULD'VE BEEN IN CONNECTION WITH
2	Q YOU DON'T KNOW FROM WHO?	2	
3	A I HAVE NO SPECIFIC RECOLLECTION.	3	THE CANADIAN COMPETITION BUREAU INVESTIGATION OR
4	Q HAS ANYONE FROM THE BUFFALO TEAM EVER	4	MULTIPLE INVESTIGATIONS WE'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH,
5	TAKEN THAT POSITION WITH YOU, THAT HAMILTON IS	5	FIRST ONE BEGINNING IN 2006 AND THEN A
6	WITHIN THEIR 50-MILE LIMIT?	6	SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION BEGINNING IN 2007.
7	A PERHAPS.	7	Q SO DID YOU FIRST LEARN OF THEIR
8	Q WHAT DOES THAT MEAN, PERHAPS?	8	POSITION IN 2006? IN OTHER WORDS, WAS IT THE
9	A I DON'T HAVE A SPECIFIC RECOLLECTION	9	FIRST DO YOU REMEMBER IF IT WAS THE FIRST
10	OF IT. I'M NOT RULING IT OUT.	10	INVESTIGATION OR THE SECOND INVESTIGATION?
11	Q YOU'RE NOT RULING IT OUT, BUT YOU HAVE	11	A PROBABLY THE FIRST.
12	NO MEMORY THAT THEY DID?	12	Q AND AFTER YOU LEARNED HOW DID YOU
13	A CORRECT.	13	LEARN OF THEIR POSITION?
14	Q HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH	14	A FROM COUNSEL.
15	ANYBODY FROM TORONTO OR ANYONE REPRESENTING	15	Q FROM OUTSIDE COUNSEL OR FROM -
16	TORONTO ABOUT TORONTO'S POSITION AS TO WHETHER	16	A OUTSIDE COUNSEL.
17	IT HAS A VETO RIGHT OVER A TEAM MOVING WITHIN	17	Q YOUR OUTSIDE COUNSEL?
۱, ۵	ITS 50-MILE LIMIT?	18	A MY OUTSIDE COUNSEL.
18	A 1 DON'T BELIEVE I HAVE.	19	Q YOUR OUTSIDE COUNSEL, OKAY.
19	Q HAVE YOU EVER BECOME AWARE OF	20	MR. GOLDFEIN: I'LL MOVE TO STRIKE THE
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19	TORONTO'S POSITION ON THAT ISSUE?	21	TESTIMONY, I WASN'T AWARE OF THAT, AND IT'S
19 20 21	TORONTO'S POSITION ON THAT ISSUE?	21 22	TESTIMONY. I WASN'T AWARE OF THAT, AND IT'S PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION.
19 20 21 22	TORONTO'S POSITION ON THAT ISSUE?  A WHAT I'VE – WHAT I SEEM TO REMEMBER	22	
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1	WILLIAM DALY	1	WILLIAM DALY
2	LEGAL ADVICE IN THAT ANSWER, I WOULD	2	SIGNED UNANIMOUSLY BY ALL NHL TEAMS?
3	DISAGREE.	3	MR. GOLDFEIN: OBJECTION.
4	MR. GOLDFEIN: WE CAN AGREE TO	4	A I'M AWARE THAT'S WHAT THE CONSTITUTION
5	DISAGREE. I MOVE TO STRIKE.	5	SAYS, YES.
6	BY MR. KESSLER:	6	Q ARE YOU AWARE THERE'S ALSO NEVER BEEN
7	Q DID THE LEAGUE OFFICE RECEIVE ANY	7	SUCH WRITING MODIFYING ARTICLE 4?
8	WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS, TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, FROM	8	A I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY SUCH WRITING,
9	ANY REPRESENTATIVE OF TORONTO CONCERNING ITS	9	RIGHT.
10	POSITION ABOUT ITS VETO RIGHTS?	10	Q WHEN YOU SAID YOU WERE AWARE THAT THE
11	A NOT ON THIS ISSUE THAT I'M AWARE OF.	11	SABERS HAVE MARKETED IN HAMILTON, DID THEY DO
12	AND FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE IT WAS A TOTAL	12	THAT WITH LEAGUE AUTHORIZATION?
13	IRRELEVANCY WHAT TORONTO'S POSITION WAS BECAUSE	13	A I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS.
14	WE INTERPRET OUR CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS, AND AS	14	Q WELL, HERE'S WHAT I WOULD ASK. IT'S
15	THE COMMISSIONER HAS MADE CLEAR REPEATEDLY AND	15	GENERALLY THE RULE THAT ONE CLUB CANNOT MARKET
16	PUBLICLY AND OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, THERE	16	WITHIN THE HOME TERRITORY OF ANOTHER TEAM; IS
17	IS NO SINGLE TEAM VETO ON ANY MARKET, MUCH LESS	17	THAT CORRECT?
18	THE MARKET IN SOUTHERN ONTARIO.	18	A I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH THAT RULE.
19	Q YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH THE NHL	19	Q OKAY. SO IT'S YOUR POSITION AS A
20	CONSTITUTION?	20	LEAGUE, SO I UNDERSTAND THIS, THAT IF THE SABERS
21	A IAM.	21	WANTED TO PUT ON A TV AD IN TORONTO CITY
22	Q ARE YOU A WARE THAT THE CONSTITUTION	22	A WHICH THEY HAVE DONE.
23	PROVIDES THAT ARTICLE 4, WHICH CONTAINS THE	23	Q WHICH THEY HAVE DONE, THAT DOES NOT
24	REFERENCE TO THE VETO RIGHTS, CAN ONLY BE	24	VIOLATE ANY LEAGUE RULES?
25	MODIFIED BY AMENDED BY A SIGNED WRITING	25	A NO EXISTING LEAGUE RULE, NO.
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1	WILLIAM DALY	1	WILLIAM DALY
2	Q DO YOU RECALL THERE WAS A TIME WHEN	2	Q SO THE LEAGUE DOES NOT GET INVOLVED IN
3	THE SABERS EVER PLAYED WITHDRAWN.	3	THAT?
4	HAVE THE SABERS EVER PLAYED ANY	4	A ONLY IN CONNECTION WITH INTERPRETING
5	EXHIBITION GAME IN HAMILTON?	5	THE RULES AND PUTTING THE PARTIES TOGETHER.
6	A HAVE THE SABERS?	6	Q DID YOU HAVE TO GET INVOLVED IN
7	Q YEAH, THE BUFFALO TEAM.	7	INTERPRETING THE RULES OR PUTTING THE PARTIES
8	A I'M NOT SURE.	8	TOGETHER WITH RESPECT TO THE PLAYING OF GAMES IN
9	Q HAVE YOU EVER HEARD ANYTHING FROM	9	HAMILTON?
10	TORONTO ASKING FOR A PAYMENT FROM THE SABERS FOR	10	A 1 BELIEVE I DID, YES.
11	PLAYING ANY EXHIBITION GAME IN HAMILTON?	11	Q WHAT WAS THE ISSUE OF RULES
12	A 1 KNOW THAT TORONTO HAS CHARGED FEES	12	INTERPRETATION THAT HAD TO BE WORKED OUT?
13	FOR TEAMS PLAYING IN HAMILTON, EXHIBITION GAMES.	13	A THE ISSUE WAS WHETHER TORONTO HAD A
14	I HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE IT WAS THE SABERS.	14	RIGHT TO BE COMPENSATED FOR THE GAME.
15	Q OKAY. WHICH TEAMS HAVE THEY CHARGED	15	Q WHAT WAS THE LEAGUE'S POSITION?
	FOR, DO YOU RECALL?	16	A THAT THEY DID.
16	A I THINK THERE HAVE BEEN MULTIPLE TEAMS	17	Q AND YOU SO INFORMED THE OTHER TEAM?
	A THINK THERE IN VEDERALIOUTH DE TEAMS	18	A CORRECT.
	THAT THEY HAVE CHARGED. MOST RECENTLY I KNOW	1.0	
17		19	Q AND THAT WAS BASED ON THE FACT THAT
17 18	THAT THEY HAVE CHARGED. MOST RECENTLY I KNOW	1	Q AND THAT WAS BASED ON THE FACT THAT HAMILTON WAS IN TORONTO'S HOME TERRITORY?
17 18 19	THAT THEY HAVE CHARGED. MOST RECENTLY I KNOW THE PITTSBURGH PENGUINS PLAYED AN EXHIBITION	19	
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Page 215 Page 214 WILLIAM DALY WILLIAM DALY 1 O AND THEN THERE'S A THIRD COMMENT RIGHT 2009 WAS MARKED AS DALY EXHIBIT 11 FOR 2 2 AFTER THAT. "WELL, CERTAINLY TO THE EXTENT HE'S 3 IDENTIFICATION, AS OF THIS DATE.) ATTACKED VIRTUALLY EVERY RULE THAT'S IN BY MR. KESSLER: 4 4 EXISTENCE IN THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE, I DON'T Q MR. DALY, IF YOU TAKE A LOOK AT THIS. 5 5 THIS DESCRIBES CERTAIN COMMENTS TO YOU ON THINK THE GOVERNORS WILL LOOK KINDLY TO THE 6 POSTURE HE'S TAKING IN THIS PROCEEDING, THAT'S MAY 7TH, 2009. AND I'LL GO FIRST TO THE SECOND 7 FOR SURE." В PARAGRAPH. IT SAYS -- THE THIRD PARAGRAPH. IT 8 DID YOU MAKE THAT COMMENT? 9 SAYS, "MR. BALSILLIE IS ACTING AGAIN IN TOTAL 9 DISREGARD OF ANY RULES OR ANY STRUCTURE. I'D BE 10 A YES. 10 O AND ONE MORE AFTER THAT. IT SAYS, 11 VERY SURPRISED IF THE BOARD WOULD LOOK FAVORABLY 11 "ASKED WHAT THE LEAGUE'S BIGGEST OBJECTION TO 12 ON THE WAY THAT MR. BALSILLIE HAS CONDUCTED 12 HIMSELF IN THIS INSTANCE." THE BALSILLIE BID IS, DALY REPLIED, 'WELL, HE'S 13 13 DOING IT TOTALLY IN DISREGARD OF OUR RULES." DID YOU MAKE THAT COMMENT? 14 14 15 DID YOU MAKE THAT COMMENT? A YES, 1 DID. 15 A YES. 16 O THE NEXT PAGE IS A QUOTATION 16 O THEN ON THE TOP OF 3 OF THIS PAGE, YOU 17 ATTRIBUTED TO YOU. "HE MAKES HIS OWN DECISIONS, 17 MAKE A COMMENT. THIS IS WHERE YOU WERE ASKED A 18 AND HE'S MAKING A DECISION THAT THIS IS THE WAY 18 19 HE WANTS TO GET INTO THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE, 19 QUESTION APPARENTLY ABOUT WHETHER YOU COULD WE DON'T USUALLY LIKE TO PICK FIGHTS, BUT WE END 20 **ENVISION A TIME -- IT STARTS ON THE PREVIOUS** 20 21 PAGE -- WHEN THERE WOULD BE A SECOND TEAM IN 21 THEM." 22 SOUTHERN ONTARIO, AND THEN YOUR COMMENT ON THE 22 DID YOU MAKE THAT COMMENT? 23 NEXT PAGE IS, "BUT RIGHT NOW WE'RE FOCUSED ON 23 A WHERE ARE WE? THE 30 TEAMS WE HAVE IN THE 30 MARKETS WE'RE IN. 24 Q THE VERY TOP OF PAGE 2. 24 WE'RE NOT PLANNING ON EXPANDING AT ANY TIME IN 25 YES. AND I DID MAKE THAT COMMENT. 25 Page 217 Page 216 WILLIAM DALY WILLIAM DALY 1 1 Q HAVE YOU SEEN THEM? 2 THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE, AND WE'RE NOT FOCUSED ON A I'VE SEEN THEM PHYSICALLY, BUT I CAN'T 3 ANY CLUB RELOCATION." TELL YOU -- OTHER THAN POTENTIALLY SKIMMING 4 DID YOU MAKE THOSE COMMENTS? 4 5 THEM, I DIDN'T READ THEM IN ANY GREAT DETAIL. 5 A YES. Q WERE THOSE TRUTHFUL COMMENTS WHEN YOU 6 O DO YOU KNOW WHY THERE ARE DIFFERENT 6 VERSIONS OF THE REPORT PREPARED, ONE ON 7 7 MADE THEM? JUNE 15th, WHICH WAS OF JAMES BALSILLIE AND A YES 8 8 HEIDI BALSILLIE, AND THEN ONE ON JULY 23rd, Q THAT TAKES CARE OF THAT ONE. 9 9 ARE YOU FAMILIAR, MR. DALY, AT ALL -10 WHICH IS JUST OF JAMES BALSILLIE, AND YET 10 11 ANOTHER ONE ON JULY 21st, WHICH WAS A SEPARATE THIS IS PRE YOUR TIME AT THE LEAGUE, BUT YOU 11 MEMORANDUM TO MR. ZIMMERMAN? DO YOU HAVE AN 12 SEEM TO HAVE EXAMINED OTHER THINGS PRE YOUR TIME 12 UNDERSTANDING OF WHY THERE ARE THESE DIFFERENT 13 AT THE LEAGUE, SO I'LL ASK YOU. WOULD THE 13 COMPLAINTS THAT PETER POCKLINGTON MAY HAVE MADE 14 VERSIONS FLOATING AROUND? 14 15 IN 1992-'93 TO THE CANADIAN BUREAU OF 15 A NO. COMPETITION WHILE HE WAS AN NHL OWNER ABOUT THE 16 MR. GOLDFEIN: OBJECTION TO THE FORM 16 LEGALITY OF THE NHL'S RULES ON RELOCATION? 17 OF THE OUESTION. 17 A NO. 18 BY MR. KESSLER: 18 Q WERE YOU INVOLVED IN ANY DISCUSSIONS 19 O YOU DO RECALL MR. POCKLINGTON WAS AN 19 ABOUT TAKING MATERIALS IN THE KROLL REPORT OUT 20 OWNER OF THE EDMONTON OILERS? 20 OR INCLUDING SOME MATERIALS IN THE KROLL REPORT? 21 A 1 DO. 21 Q MR. DALY, ARE YOU FAMILIAR OR DID YOU 22 A NO. 22 Q DO YOU KNOW WHY THE KROLL REPORTS WERE SEE THE VARIOUS KROLL REPORTS THAT WERE PREPARED 23 23 24 ON MR. BALSILLIE? 24 NOT GIVEN TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OR TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS BEFORE MAKING THEIR DECISION 25 A I'M FAMILIAR WITH THEM. 25

Page 248 Page 246 WILLIAM DALY - HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL WILLIAM DALY - HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL 1 1 MR. BRANDON: NO QUESTIONS, THANKS. A OTHER THAN THE FACT THAT THOSE ARE THE 2 2 3 MR. SALA: NO QUESTIONS. 3 ONLY TWO MAILINGS SHE HAD GOTTEN IN THE WHOLE COURT PROCEEDING AND THEY BOTH HAPPENED TO BE 4 (TIME NOTED 3:49 P.M.) 4 5 5 NEGATIVE FILINGS. WILLIAM DALY 6 Q BUT THAT'S IT? 6 7 7 A YES. SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME 8 MR. SORENSEN: NOTHING FURTHER. 8 THIS DAY OF , 2009 9 MR. KESSLER: I HAVE JUST ONE MORE ON 9 10 THAT. 10 **EXAMINATION** 11 11 BY MR. KESSLER: 12 12 Q DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS FAN 13 13 14 CLUB THAT SHE PURPORTS TO BE THE HEAD OF? 14 A DO I KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT? 15 15 ANYTHING ABOUT THE FAN CLUB? 16 Q 16 YES. THE COYOTES BOOSTER CLUB. 17 Α 17 Q DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY MEMBERS IT HAS? 18 18 A NO, I DON'T. 19 19 20 Q DO YOU KNOW HOW SHE WAS SELECTED? 20 A NO, I DON'T. 21 21 O DO YOU KNOW IF SHE'S ANYTHING MORE 22 22 THAN AN INTERNET SITE WHO DECLARED HERSELF THE 23 23 HEAD OF A FAN CLUB, AS TO WHETHER SHE ACTUALLY 24 24 REPRESENTS ANYBODY ELSE OTHER THAN HERSELF AND 25 25 Page 249 Page 247 **PROCEEDINGS** WILLIAM DALY - HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL 1 1 2 CERTIFICATE HER FAMILY? 2 3 A YES, I DO KNOW SHE'S MORE THAN THAT. 3 I, JUDI JOHNSON, RPR, CRR, CLR, A NOTARY PUBLIC IN THE COYOTES BOOSTER CLUB HAS MADE APPEARANCES A 4 4 5 AND FOR THE STATE OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY: THE COURTHOUSE SEVERAL TIMES OVER THE COURSE OF THAT THE WITNESS WHOSE TESTIMONY IS HEREINBEFORE THIS PROCEEDING, NUMBERS OF THEM. AND THEY ALSO 6 6 HAD A FAN RALLY SEVERAL MONTHS AGO NOW THAT THE 7 SET FORTH, WAS DULY SWORN BY ME; AND 7 THAT THE WITHIN TRANSCRIPT IS A TRUE RECORD COYOTES BOOSTER CLUB HAD TO ARRANGE BY 8 8 OF THE TESTIMONY GIVEN BY SAID WITNESS. I FURTHER 9 THEMSELVES BECAUSE THEY HAD NO ASSISTANCE FROM CERTIFY THAT I AM NOT RELATED, EITHER BY BLOOD OR 10 THE CLUB IN ARRANGING IT. 10 MARRIAGE, TO ANY OF THE PARTIES TO THIS ACTION; AND Q HOW MANY MEMBERS HAVE YOU SEEN? 11 11 THAT I AM IN NO WAY INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF 12 A WELL, I KNOW THERE WERE IN EXCESS OF, 12 13 THIS MATTER. I GUESS, 300 AT THE RALLY. 13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET 14 14 O YOU DON'T KNOW IF ANY OF THOSE -- YOU MY HAND THIS 21ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2009. 15 DON'T KNOW HOW MANY, IF ANY, OF THOSE WERE 15 16 MEMBERS OF THE COYOTES BOOSTERS CLUB? 16 17 A THAT'S FAIR. 17 18 JUDI JOHNSON, RPR, CRR. CLR MR. KESSLER: NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. 18 19 MR. SORENSEN: NOTHING FURTHER. 19 (CONTINUED ON THE NEXT PAGE TO INCLUDE 20 20 21 21 JURAT.) 22 22 23 23 24 24 25 25

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#### JEREMY JACOBS

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

Case No. 2:09-bk-09488-RTBP Chapter 11

In Re

DEWEY RANCH HOCKEY, LLC,

COYOTES HOLDINGS, LLC,

COYOTES HOCKEY, LLC, and

ARENA MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC,

Debtors.

Examination before trial of JEREMY

JACOBS, taken pursuant to Notice, in the offices of

JACK W. HUNT & ASSOCIATES, INC., 1420 Liberty

Building, Buffalo, New York, on August 19, 2009,

commencing at 9:03 a.m., before JOAN M.

METZGER-HUBBELL, CRR, RMR, RPR, Notary Public.

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1 A	PPEARANCES: SQUIRE, SANDERS & DEMPSEY, LLP,	1	THE WITNESS: That's the name of the
2	By RICHARD GURBST, ESQ., 4900 Key Tower,	2	acquiring entity? Thank you.
3	127 Public Square, Cleveland, Ohio 44114-1304,	3	MR. GREENSPAN: Yes, where Mr. Balsillie i
	Appearing for the Debtors.		·
4	DEWEY & Leboeuf,	4	the principal.  BY MR. GREENSPAN:
5	By DAVID GREENSPAN, ESQ., 1301 Avenue of the Americas,	5	
6	New York, New York 10019-6092, Appearing for PSE Sports &	6	Q. Have you ever had your deposition taken
7	Entertainment, LP. JENNINGS, STROUSS & SALMON, LLC,	7	before.
9	By L. EDWARD HUMPHREY, ESQ.,	8	A. Yes, I have.
	201 E. Washington Street, 11th Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2385,	9	Q. Okay. How many times?
10	Appearing for Jerry Moyes, via telephone.	10	A. I don't know.
11	ALLEN, SALA & BAYNE, PLC.	11	Q. Many times?
12	By PAUL SALA, ESQ., Viad Corporate Center,	12	A. More than once.
13	1850 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1150,	13	Q. Okay. So you're familiar with how the
14	Phoenix, Arizona 85004, Appearing for the Unsecured	14	process goes?
15	Creditors Committee, via telephone.	15	A. Yes.
16	skadden, arps, slate, meagher & flom, llp,	16	Q. Okay. So I won't belabor the rules
17	By SHEPARD GOLDFEIN, ESQ., 4 Times Square.	17	but, first of all, if at any time today you need a
18	New York, New York 10036,	18	break, we can all be flexible and accommodating, so
19	Appearing for the National Hockey League and The Witness.	19	please let me know.
20	DELAWARE NORTH COMPANIES, By Bryan J. Keller, Esq.,	20	To the extent that any of my questions are
21	General Counsel, Law Department,	21	unclear to you, please let me know so we can try to
22	40 Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, New York 14202-2285,	22	work together to get on the same page.
23	Appearing as Personal Counsel for The Witness.	23	Your attorney, Mr. Goldfein, I'm sure will
	IOI THE WILKESS.		
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l 1	THE REPORTER: Are there any stipulations?	1	have objections throughout the day, but that's to
2	MR. GOLDFEIN: Usual stipulations.	2	preserve the record. Unless he instructs you not
3	•	3	to answer my question, then you need to go ahead
4	JEREMY JACOBS, 1300 North Davis Road	4	and answer my question.
5	East Aurora, New York, after being duly called and	5	Do you understand all that so far?
6	sworn, testified as follows:	6	A. I understand what you said.
7	2 World 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	7	Q. Okay. I'm sure the court reporter and
8	EXAMINATION BY MR. GREENSPAN:	8	everybody on the phone as well will appreciate if
9	MARKA MATRIMA TO BALANCE TO A START OR COMMITTEE A METE	9	you give audible answers instead of nodding so
10	Q. Good morning, Mr. Jacobs.	10	everybody can follow along. I think that's about
11	A. Good morning.	11	it for now.
12	Q. We just met. My name again is David	12	Is there anything today to prevent you from
13	Greenspan, the Dewey & LeBoeuf firm representing		giving me your best and most truthful testimony?
14	PSE.	14	A. No.
1		15	Q. Okay. Sir, you are the owner of the
15	I'm going to begin the questioning today.	16	Boston Bruins?
16	Mr. Gurbst on behalf of the debtors is going to		A. Yes.
17	take over at some point, and then I guess it's	17	
18	possible that people on the phone may have some	18	Q. And for how long have you owned the
110	questions, also.	19 20	team?
19	A DOD'O	. // 1	A. I acquired the team in 1975.
20	A. PSE is?	1	•
20 21	Q. PSE, PSE Sports & Entertainment.	21	Q. Okay. And can you give me a brief
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positive comments made about Mr. Balsillie?

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- Q. What sort of comments?
- A. He was a -- he grew a great business. He made a lot of money doing it. That he was well regarded in the philanthropies in southern Ontario. The problem was, he was going to be a lousy partner, and he's not somebody that we wanted to -after having the prior experience with him and things that he did, he was not -- his memory was 10 very selective in how he construed things. He just 11 wasn't somebody that we felt was really truthful 12 and acceptable as a -- as a future partner. 13

His experience with the people in the pursuit of the Penguins where he refused to sign the call agreement, or that which embraced it, in fact he denied it in his pursuit of the Penguins -or, excuse me, not the Penguins, but the Predators, where he wanted to -- you know, he wasn't going to move them, then he was going to move them, and all 20 the things that Mr. --

MR. GURBST: Leipold.

THE WITNESS: -- Leipold. His experience 23

1 BY MR. GREENSPAN:

- Q. Right. His positions in the bankruptcy court?
- A. His positions and his pursuit in the bankruptcy was one. But I'd say more than anything else it was our instant experience with him in Pittsburgh, the experience with Leipold in Nashville, the experience with Gillett in Montreal. We have just a tremendous amount of experience with this - with Mr. Balsillie, and it hasn't been good.
- O. The executive committee voted unanimously to recommend that the board vote against him?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Was there any discussion at the executive committee meeting that it was important for the vote to be unanimous?
  - A. No, no.
- Q. Was there any -- did any of the ten executive committee members express any dissent towards voting to recommend against his application?

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with him was very bad in making the agreement on that. How he -- how he pre-sold tickets to a team he didn't know in Hamilton. These were all destructive things that he had no cognizance of what he was doing.

And his comments with regard to George Gillett's experience with him in Montreal where -and these are all members of good standing in the league. George is going into Montreal and helping to re-establish that team or making that team the great -- bringing it back to the great team that it is or was, and then his being undermined by -- by going public and saying that it's -- that the team's for sale and then saying he didn't say so, and then when you're trying to get a statement from 15 him, his saying, I won't give you the statement.

17 He -- very fluid guy, very fluid when it comes to our business. I would say that there were 18 just a number of reasons that we found, as well as 19 20 his statements with regard to -- in the court 21 saying that the league doesn't have -- have 22 authority over what it's doing, that the judge can usurp us and all that, that was offensive.

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A. The only thing expressed was they were offended by his conduct with Pittsburgh, with Nashville, and with Gillett. They were the -singularly the most engaged group at any time that I've been to an executive committee meeting. I would say that the administration, meaning Gary Bettman and his crew, was probably the least active I've ever seen them in propelling a conversation.

I think that if you talk to your counsel that was there, that you will probably find agreement with that. It was -- it was -- it got -when it got into the details, it became very obvious that they were offended by this and that Mr. Balsillie's comments to the contrary had -- had no effect.

When a man tells you that my selling tickets in Hamilton helped you in Nashville, he doesn't understand the business we're in, and he doesn't appreciate the sensitivity and the value of a franchise and how sensitive a matter it is and how you have to preserve that and how important it is to a community that you're not bicycling a franchise from one location to the next seeking 23

Page 200 Page 198 with regard to the Coyotes moving to Hamilton. 1 THE WITNESS: Okay. 2 BY MR. GREENSPAN: 2 BY MR. GREENSPAN: O. No discussions? 3 3 Q. Is that no, you can't disclose, or no, 4 you're not aware of any steps being taken to 4 A. No. 5 Q. Mr. Jacobs, what is your understanding 5 process -as to whether a club can or cannot exercise a veto 6 A. I'm personally not aware of any steps 6 7 of another club moving into its home territory? 7 being taken. 8 A. My understanding is that a simple 8 Q. Has there been -- have you participated in any discussions with any governors about whether 9 majority of the board will determine whether or not 9 they would vote for or against Mr. Balsillie's a team can go into a particular location, 10 10 11 irrespective of it being a pre-existing, relocation application? 11 12 quote/unquote, territory. A. How many -- no. 12 Q. So, for example, it's your 13 Q. You have not had a conversation --13 understanding that you, as the owner of the Bruins, 14 14 A. No. would have no unilateral ability to prevent another 15 Q. -- with any governor? 15 franchise from moving into the Bruins' home 16 A. No. 16 17 17 Q. Have you had a conversation with any territory? A. Unilaterally I wouldn't -- I couldn't person about whether you would vote for or against 18 18 stop that from occurring. I'd have to do it 19 19 Mr. Balsillie's relocation application? 20 through the majority vote, as I told you. 20 A. I -- on this subject, I don't know of Q. Are you aware of any club expressing a 21 his application. I don't know if he made an 21 different understanding of their exclusive application, I don't know if he's going to make an 22 22 application, and I can tell you that he is not territorial rights? 23 Page 201 Page 199 acceptable as an owner with the National Hockey 1 A. No. O. Do you know whether the Toronto Maple League. So I think the whole subject is moot as 2 Leafs have indicated that they have the unilateral far as I'm concerned, so if somebody were to ask me 3 right to prevent a franchise from moving into about that, I'd just say I think the subject is 5 Hamilton? nonexistent. 5 MR. GOLDFEIN: Asked and answered. 6 6 Q. Well, are you aware there's a possibility that the court could say Mr. Balsillie 7 Objection. 7 8 THE WITNESS: I answered it already. I said is approved to qualify as an owner and that the league may need to take on the relocation issue? 9 no. 9 BY MR. GREENSPAN: 10 MR. GOLDFEIN: I'll object and instruct him 10 Q. Then I apologize, but I am going to ask not to answer on the grounds of attorney/client 11 11 it again. I'm going to focus specifically on the 12 12 communication. Maple Leafs. BY MR. GREENSPAN: 13 13 Q. If -- has there been any discussion --14 A. The answer was no. 14 Q. Have you heard any discussion about the have you had any discussion about voting up or down 15 15 calculation of a relocation fee for the Coyotes on moving the Coyotes to Hamilton to the extent 16 16 moving to Hamilton? 17 17 that issue is put before the board? MR. GOLDFEIN: Again, you're not to disclose MR. GOLDFEIN: Objection. Asked and 18 18 attorney/client communications. You can answer to 19 19 answered. the extent that you have any independent knowledge. 20 THE WITNESS: Yeah. 20 THE WITNESS: No. MR. GOLDFEIN: You can answer again one last21 21 BY MR. GREENSPAN: 22 22 time. O. You haven't heard any number one way or 23 THE WITNESS: I haven't had any discussions 23

1 2 3	I hereby CERTIFY that I have read the foregoing 269 pages, and that they are a true and accurate transcript of the testimony given by me in		Page 272 INDEX TO EXHIBITS Exhibit Description Page JACOBS EXH. declaration of Jeremy M. 25 1 Jacobs, four pages
4 5 6 7	the above entitled action on August 19, 2009.  JEREMY JACOBS	4 5 6 7	JACOBS EXH. multi-paged document headed 27 2 Executive Committee Memorandum & Exhibits, July 27, 2009  JACOBS EXH. e-mail with attachments 94
8 9 10 11	Sworn to before me this day of, 2009.	8 9	JACOBS EXH. document headed Bylaws, 125 4 Section 36, Transfer of Franchise Location, three
12 13 14 15	NOTARY PUBLIC.	10 11 12	pages JACOBS EXH. document headed 155 5 Constitution of the National Hockey League, several pages
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	STATE OF NEW YORK) ss: COUNTY OF ERIE )  I DO HEREBY CERTIFY as a Notary Public in and for the State of New York, that I did attend and report the foregoing deposition, which was taken down by me in a verbatim manner by means of machine shorthand. Further, that the deposition was then reduced to writing in my presence and under my	6 7 8 9	INDEX TO WITNESSES  Witness Examination Page  JEREMY JACOBS BY MR. GREENSPAN: 3  BY MR. GURBST: 202  BY MR. GOLDFEIN: 268
11 12 13 14 15 16	direction. That the deposition was taken to be used in the foregoing entitled action. That the said deponent, before examination, was duly sworn to testify to the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, relative to said action.	10 11 12 13 14 15	
17 18	JOAN M. METZGER-HUBBELL, CRR, RMR, RPR, Notary Public.	16 17 18 19	
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Debtors,	)		

This is the Deposition of JAMES LAURENCE BALSILLIE, in the above noted matter, taken via teleconference at the offices of Bennett Jones LLP, Suite 3400, One First Canadian Place, Alberta Room, Toronto, Ontario, on the 26th day of August, 2009.

	1	Page 4
		JAMES LAURENCE BALSILLIE, sworn
	2	EXAMINATION BY MR. KEYTE:
	3	MR. STALEY: We have indicated off the
	4	record to Skadden that we believe we have a
	5	conflict in challenging the character and
	6	integrity of Mr. Balsillie, as RIM is a
APPEARANCES:	7	Skadden client, we intend to pursue the
JAMES A. KEYTE } for the National Hockey		matter independently of this deposition.
,	9	MR. KEYTE: Let me just state for the
NICHOLAS A. DANELLA } League	10	record, there is no motion pending on a
ROBERT W. STALEY for Research In Motio	n 11	conflict issue or relief requested, that we
JEFFREY L. KESSLER for James L. Balsillie	12	are taking Mr. Balsillie's deposition in
	13	his personal capacity. We obviously don't
RICHARD GURBST for the Debtors	14	think there is a conflict and we have had
PAUL SALA for the Unsecured Creditors		appropriate firewalls since at least 2006,
Committee	16	but we will deal with that matter later.
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ED HUMPHREY for Jerry Moyes	18	BY MR. KEYTE: 1. Q. Mr. Balsillie, you do understand you
WILLIAM BALDIGA for the City of Glenda	ale 19	1. Q. Mr. Balsillie, you do understand you are being deposed in your personal capacity today?
	20	A. Yes, I do.
	21 22	2. Q. Have you ever been deposed before?
ALSO PRESENT:	23	A. Yes, I have been deposed before.
Richard Rodier	24	3. Q. Obviously I will be asking you
William L. Daly	25	questions. You are under oath. If you need any
Pag	e 3	Page 5 clarification, I would be happy to try to do that
	2	for you. If you need a break at any time, that is
	3	fine. Just not while a question is pending.
	4	For the record, we will reserve our rights
	5	to seek additional deposition time if there is
J.L. Balsillie	6	additional document productions where we may need
V, 21. 21 44.VIII.	7	ask you back. But obviously in the time frame that
	8	things are going on, that may be difficult.
	9	MR. KESSLER: And for the record, we
	10	think this is your deposition and you
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	12	but we do not believe there should be
	13	another deposition of this particular
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1	counsel has done, or any discussions with	1	with respect to the home market?
2	counsel would be either attorney/client	2	A. Well, I don't think I am
3	privilege or the product. If there is	3	speculating. I pride myself in being a good
4	anything else, he can testify to it.	4	listener, and I listen to the NHL Commissioner very
5	THE DEPONENT: I can't answer that.	5	clearly when he told me the core principles that
6	There was a transfer application done. I	6	arehow they specifically manifest in an
7	would presume it is in full adherence with	7	application, how they all get parsed out. At the
8	the NHL'sin full accordance with the	8	end of the day, if you serve the core principles,
9	NHL's requirements. There are expert	9	the benefits are going to accrue to the game and to
10	accountants and lawyers working on this,	10	the league and to all the franchisees.
11	and I would presume they fully complied	11	So, I think that I heard him, and I think I
12	with all the bylaws and guidelines for this	12	understood him, and I understood him clearly, and I
13	kind of application to the NHL.	13	don't think I am speculating here personally. But
14	So, when you cite a certain clause	14	that being said, there were experts engaged who have
15	and a certain requirement, I am not	15	completed successfully ownership applications
16	appropriately familiar to give you an	16	before, and who have done transfer applications
17	answer to that, beyond I don't know.	17	before, and theyand I know it takes a lot of time
18	and the state of t	18	to do it, and they spent a lot of time filling that
19	BY MR. KEYTE:	19	out and interrelating with the executives at the
20	455. Q. Okay. Is it correct that your	20	league to ensure that it was timely and complete and
21	testimony is that if the board of governors were	21	accurate.
22	ever to assess the Phoenix marketplace under the	22	So, it seemed to me, based on the success
23	bylaw 36 criteria, including the criteria that	23	and prior dealings of these kinds of applications,
24	applied directly to the home marketplace, your view	24	that they would be able to do a good job again. So,
25	they do that fairly. You accept whatever their	25	I don't think it was speculative on my part, not in
23	they do that family. Too despression		
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١,	conclusions?	1	the very least. I thought it was directly relayed
1	MR. KESSLER: Objection to the form of	2	from the Commissioner, and very professionally
2	the question. Calls for a legal	3	completely employed and deployed in this case. Ar
3	conclusion.	4	it is the farthest thing from speculative.
4	THE DEPONENT: I don't know what the	5	457. O. Well, what are the core principles
5	bylaws require. I don't know what the	6	as they related to factors that would lay in favour
6	responsibilities and rights of the NHL	7	of keeping a team in the market in the face of a
7	board of governors is under this, so I	8	relocation application?
8	can't say as I know.	9	A. Well, I suspect it is the opposite
9	MR. KESSLER: I am also going to say I	10	of the benefits that would justify putting a team in
10	object to any questions about the legal	11	a market, but I don't know for sure. But I do know
11	proprietary of the board of governors	12	the benefits are the strength of the owner and the
			manufacture of the Land Manufacture
12	acting now in light of the fact that in	113	financial wherewithal to do it, and Mr. Moyes was
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Page 256 Page 254 think that was probably the flip side of that issue. 1 So, we are ready to go. 1 Are you going to pay for the 459. 2 O. And the third one would be the arena, and 2 renovations? Are you committed to paying for all 3 Copps is an excellent arena in an excellent location 3 the renovations? 4 with a plan to make it arguably the best. And I 4 A. I am committed to part of them, and 5 can't comment on the quality of the Glendale Arena 5 I presume it is a very good quality, but one 6 I have very... 6 Well, hold on. This is MR. KESSLER: might...I have heard that it is in a difficult 7 7 going to be highly confidential with 8 position...a difficult location, which makes it 8 respect to this part of the transcript, so 9 difficult. 9 I would ask Mr. Daly, please, for this 10 So, I suspect you take the three where you 10 are going and where you are leaving, you mark them 11 portion... 11 That is fine. against that, and it is the flip side of those. But MR. DALY: 12 12 Thank you. that being said, I have not read the details of the 13 MR. KESSLER: 13 14 bylaw. There may be some other machinations or 14 Mr. Daly leaves the room factors at hand. And I trust that the experts who 15 15 did the applications ensured that we adhered to all 16 16 I don't know that there are aspects of the format that the league requires to be 17 MR. KEYTE: 17 any business people on the phone. an applicant of good character and integrity and 18 18 MR. KESSLER: I don't know if there is standing to comply with all aspects of the league's 19 19 anyone who is not authorized on the phone. 20 rules and bylaws fairly and transparently applied. 20 They should please leave for this. Q. How much money is it going to take 21 458. 21 If they are not... MR. KEYTE: 22 to, in your view, get the Copps arena up to 22 We trust you, and this MR. KESSLER: 23 23 standard? designation will start going back to the 24 Well, it will take over \$100 24 A. question of, is he prepared to pay for million. And I am very excited about it, and we 25 25 Page 257 Page 255 this. have shown our plan, and quite frankly, the designer 1 is, I think, the most reputable arena designer, and 2 2 highly recommended by all sports leagues. And he is 3 BY MR. KEYTE: 3 Q. I just want to know how it is going the one that has designed the changes to Madison 4 460. 4 to get paid for. Is that settled and how much of it 5 Square Garden, and we would ... and you would ... just 5 is are you going to pay for? like Madison Square Garden, you would be able to 6 6 A. It is not all settled in detail, but play in the arena while you re-do the ... you upgrade 7 7 we have received very clear assurances from the arena because the great, great benefit of Copps 8 8 political leaders that this is going to be 9 Coliseum is the lower bowl is actually quite 9 supported. And, in fact, there have been letters 10 excellent, and the lower bowl is where you play. 10 written to the Commissioner of the NHL that they are 11 That is where the lower seats are. That is what 11 going to be supportive of this, including very takes a lot of time to lay out and a lot of cost and 12 12 recently the mayor of Hamilton, who is the owner of 13 13 money. Copps Coliseum, but they are committed to engage So, it is all the elements to build out 14 14 public funds to support very substantial portions of from that that have to be renovated. But we have 15 15 this renovation. 16 such exceptional start in the Copps Coliseum, you 16 So, I am highly confident that we are going 17 know, with the lower bowl, with the location, with 17 to be able to be successful in getting this upgrade 18 the architect and his experience. And we have a 18 done, and done in an exciting basis, and done in a 19 good sense of budgets. It could cost more if you 19 timely basis. And to have this kind of commitment choose to go to even more extensive renovations, and 20 20 on an uncertain situation, which is very different that is a very, very exciting thing to consider and 21 21 than other teams in other situations, I think is an go with. But nonetheless, the arena as is more than 22 22 incredibly positive indicator, and reason for meets NHL standards. It is better than some of the 23 23 substantial confidence here. 24 other arenas out there, and has been used for NHL

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