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ROBERT STIVERS
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

December 10, 2020

Kentucky High School Athletic Association
2280 Executive Drive
Lexington, KY 40505

Re: Interscholastic athletics

Dear Commissioner Julian Tackett and KHSAA Board of Control Members,

It is our understanding that there is a proposal that will be considered by the KHSAA Board this morning to permit schools to begin athletics practice on December 14, and resume competition on January 4. We write today in support of this proposal.

Just as we have consistently urged the Governor to follow the advice of Dr. Anthony Fauci, infectious disease advisor to the President and Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, to allow students to return to in-person instruction for their education, mental health, and social needs, we also urge you to allow high school sports to resume now for the same reasons. Despite the challenges of the ongoing pandemic we believe that experience has shown that, when proper precautions are taken, high school athletics can be conducted safely.

We stand ready to provide any support we can to ensure a safe and successful remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

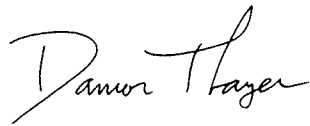
Sincerely,

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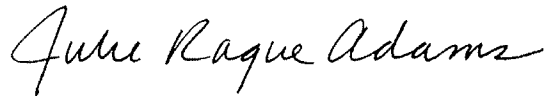
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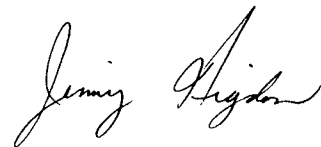
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