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Dear Annual General Assembly of the Federation of Gay Games,

We, the Denver International Gay & Lesbian Invitational Tournament (DIGLIT) and supporting bowling leagues, confirm our support of Denver's bid to host the 2030 Gay Games.

DIGLIT, incorporated in 1995, is a 501c3 non-profit organization committed to serving Denver-area bowlers by promoting *Unity, Communication, and Fellowship*. DIGLIT's primary objective is to host an annual bowling tournament for bowlers of all levels, creating a safe environment where LGBTQ+ individuals can come together to develop close relationships within the community. DIGLIT is also a member of the International Gay Bowling Organization (IGBO).

DIGLIT and its four leagues would leverage our local network of 375+ local bowlers in supporting Denver as the host city of Gay Games. By promoting opportunities for bowlers to participate in athletic events, volunteer at the Games, and/or attend cultural events put on by the games, DIGLIT and its leagues would help ensure the Games success.

While bowling in general remains behind the diversity, equity, and inclusion curve, DIGLIT is at the forefront of change. Two years ago, we began offering a bowling experience based on skill rather than gender, making our tournament one of the first within the IGBO circuit to remove gender-specific awards. We remain committed to adjusting how we run our tournament based on continuous feedback from LGBTQ+ bowlers and our allies. Our support of Gay Games XIII is a natural step in further demonstrating our commitment to these principles.

We are excited by the opportunities collaborating with Gay Games XIII in Denver would present to our local, state, national, and international LGBTQ+ communities. We look forward to working closely with the Denver Gay Games Bid committee in ensuring Gay Games XIII is a truly inclusive event with broad global reach.

Sincerely

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