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To the General Assembly of the Federation of Gay Games,

The Greater Denver Area Sports Association (GDASA) is thrilled to express its enthusiastic support for Denver's bid to host the 2030 Gay Games. As a thriving LGBTQ+ sports organization dedicated to fostering a safe and positive atmosphere through engaging social and competitive sports within Colorado, we believe Denver embodies the spirit, infrastructure, and vibrant LGBTQ+ culture needed to make the 2030 Games an unparalleled celebration of athletic excellence, cultural exchange, and global unity.

Denver has long been a leader in both cultural and athletic diversity and inclusivity. Our city boasts a strong sports-oriented community and a supportive LGBTQ+ and ally community. Since its inception in 2018, GDASA has provided various sports at different skill levels, allowing us to reach our ever-expanding community. Starting with a summer softball season, GDASA has grown exponentially, adding fall and spring softball seasons, pickleball, golf, and most recently, tennis.

With over 200 active members, GDASA regularly witnesses the transformative impact of inclusive, safe spaces where individuals can build new connections while pursuing their passion for sport. Many GDASA members also participate in additional LGBTQ+ sports, and through collective groups like the Colorado LGBTQ+ Sports Social, all leagues and organizations collaborate to create a network and strong foundation for planning a professionally presented, inclusive gathering of sports and culture.

Denver has the capacity to host the diverse range of sports featured in the Gay Games and expand to include even more sports than have been included in many past Gay Games. Our city has seen numerous fields and facilities renovated and upgraded to meet the increased demand for sporting events across the Denver metro area.

We wholeheartedly endorse Denver's bid for the 2030 Gay Games and urge the General Assembly to recognize the city's potential to host a truly unforgettable event. Denver is ready to welcome the world with open arms and celebrate the spirit of the Gay Games on a global stage.

Sincerely,

*Patrick Batten*

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GDASA Commissioner on behalf of:

The Board of Directors and Members of the Greater Denver Area Sports Association

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