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To whom it may concern

We are pleased to provide this letter of support for the Orange County Soccer Club (OCSC) and their proposal to operate Championship Soccer Stadium at Irvine's Great Park.

Rangers FC of Glasgow is a Scottish Premiership soccer team that has been partners with OCSC for the past two years. We have seen first hand the positive exposure that OCSC has provided in promoting Orange County and Irvine to the hundreds of thousands of Rangers fans in the UK, in the United States and around the world. The club's stable ownership, experienced professional management, dedicated staff and the world class games and events they put on at the stadium have impressed us enormously. Our goal is to extend and grow the partnership in the future and ultimately to have our First Team come to Irvine to play friendly games, bringing along our youth teams and fans from across the world to large prestigious events that will strongly support Irvine hotels and local businesses.

Based on our knowledge of the club, we believe OCSC is well positioned to manage the stadium in a manner that maximizes the use of the facility by capitalizing on their local relationships and international partnerships, as well as inviting more Irvine based youth and community groups to participate at the stadium; we understand the ultimate goal of OCSC in this process is to both maximize revenues for the City of Irvine and to establish the Championship Soccer Stadium as a source of community pride and a gathering place for the whole of the soccer community in Irvine. As the highest level of professional sports in Irvine and the highest level of soccer in Orange County and the surrounding areas, OCSC's contributions to your community are well documented.

We also understand that, through the OCSC Community Foundation, the club is building miniature soccer pitches (safe playing areas) in underserved communities throughout the county, providing free soccer curriculum to local schools (including providing virtual soccer clinics to thousands of students in and around Irvine through the Covid period) and supporting organizations like Second Harvest Food Bank and Camp Pendleton. This charitable arm of the organization is increasing the team's presence throughout Orange County and, as an extension of the club, serves to increase community access to the stadium by way of clinics and special events.

We are delighted with the way our partnership with OCSC has developed and continues to develop. The club is well run and its aspirations to grow and assist young people in the Irvine area will be significantly enhanced if they were to be successful with this application.

Yours sincerely

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