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Mr. Larry Probst, Chairman
Mr. Scott Blackmun, Chief Executive Officer
United States Olympic Committee
1 Olympic Plaza
Colorado Springs, CO 80909-5760

Dear Gentlemen:

On behalf of the Philadelphia region, I want to sincerely thank you for your time and insight during our meeting in Philadelphia last month regarding the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games. I greatly enjoyed our visit and came away feeling more excited than ever about the Olympic movement and Philadelphia's role in it.

While I am confident Philadelphia would serve as a phenomenal host for an Olympic and Paralympic Games, I also understand the many factors necessary to be successful as a host city. After consultation with local civic and private sector partners, including those who joined us at the meeting, our team believes Philadelphia's efforts are best spent bidding on and hosting other events at this time.

We look forward to continuing our work with the USOC and IOC families to host national and international events that will provide a positive impact on Philadelphia and the U.S. Olympic movement. As I indicated at the meeting, I'd be very open to the idea of joining fellow Mayors across the U.S. to best support your efforts.

You and the members of the Committee are to be congratulated on the USOC's commitment to a genuinely thoughtful, open and deliberate process. We have had great success partnering to host world-class events in recent years, and are committed to working cooperatively with you and your team moving forward.

Thank you for your consideration; Philadelphia is readily positioned to be the biggest cheerleader for a potential U.S. bid. Please don't hesitate to contact me directly with any questions or next steps.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Nutter".

Michael A. Nutter
Mayor