

Mr. James Patchett  
President  
New York City Economic Development Corporation  
110 William Street  
New York, NY 10038

Re: Rugby United New York/Richmond County Bank Ballpark

Dear President Patchett:

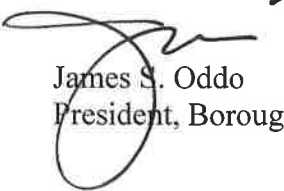
I am writing to express my strong support for Major League Rugby team Rugby United New York (RUNY) in its efforts to play its home matches in Richmond County Bank Ballpark.

Owner James Kennedy and his staff have expressed a desire to work with our community, and a willingness to make improvements to the field itself. I believe the presence of the city's first professional rugby team on Staten Island will be of great mutual benefit, and if you believe, as I do, that Richmond County Bank Ballpark is and has been underutilized, then we will agree that RUNY can be a great fit.

I urge you to support Rugby United New York's efforts to make Staten Island its home, and if I can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

  
James S. Oddo  
President, Borough of Staten Island

