

August 13, 2018

Mr. James S. Oddo
Borough President
10 Richmond Terrace
Staten Island, NY 10301

Re: Rugby United New York/Richmond County Bank Ballpark

Borough President Oddo:

Thank you for reaching out regarding New York's first Major League Rugby team, Rugby United New York (RUNY). As you know, NYCEDC is continually looking for ways to make its facilities, such as Richmond County Bank Ballpark, more productive and engaging for New Yorkers.

In particular, NYCEDC recently met with the RUNY's Director, Nishant Nereyeth, and is excited to consider this opportunity. NYCEDC's Asset Management team, which oversees the leasing and operations of the Ballpark, plans to release an RFP to activate the Ballpark for additional events, and we hope to see a response that includes this option. We will continue to give RUNY consideration as we move through this process, especially because the rugby season could dovetail with the Staten Island Yankees' season to make the Ballpark a true year-round destination.

We appreciate your collaboration on this effort, and please feel free to reach out with further feedback.

Sincerely,



James Patchett