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Dear Lysander Youth Hockey Association Families,

It is our pleasure to announce that our Association has entered into a lease agreement effective June 1, 2020, with the owners of the rink; Home Ice, Inc., which gives us the right to control the property for up to 40 years! Our Association's Board of Directors has been working diligently the last three months to negotiate and execute this win-win lease. We strongly believe that this will enable our Association to move forward from issues of the past that we've all experienced lately. In the end, we are leasing the complex in its entirety.

What does this mean for us? All proceeds from any rink rentals, bar and restaurant sales, sponsorship and fundraising support from the complex, will all go back to our Association. In turn, our Association will reinvest all proceeds back into the complex operations. It is our goal to transform the complex back into a first-class facility. The Association is and will remain, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization which will enable us to expand opportunities for even more fundraising and sponsorship support. Our lease also provides us the right of first refusal if the owner wants to sell the property. If we elect not to purchase, our lease rights remain, even if the arena is sold or foreclosed upon by the owner's lender.

As some of you may have already heard, the Syracuse Blazers have decided to leave the Lysander Ice Arena at the end of the season. With this news, the Board of Directors have been working on possible alternatives for Rink 1. Based on our due diligence, we have decided that we will be converting Rink 1 to a synthetic turf field, available for year-round use for us and our community partners. As part of the lease, the owner is placing, in escrow, funds sufficient to complete that conversion, as well as other upgrades and renovations necessary at the complex. Converting Rink 1 into synthetic turf will maximize the ability for our Association to generate cash flow, due to the lower cost of maintenance, the demand locally for quality turf and more rental hours per day as a result of not needing hourly ice cuts. We have already spoken with various local sports organizations that are ready and eager to utilize the turf. Installing turf is also significantly cheaper and faster than repairing or replacing the ice system on Rink 1. This will leave us more funds to repair the remainder of the complex, including necessary repairs to the existing ice and boards on Rink 2.

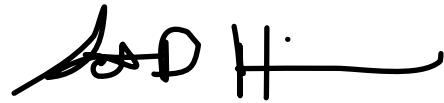
It is the Board's intention that the existing employees will remain employed at the rink. We will, however, need your help securing sponsorships, performing repairs and maintenance and the overall general upkeep of the complex. Now that we have a home for the next 40 years, we can be confident that all our efforts will continue to be enjoyed by our families for years to come.

We have already been in communications with the Syracuse Figure Skating Club, and it is the Board's intention that we will be working with them to reinstate their ice time as in year's past. We also hope that their members will join in our efforts to bring to this community a first-class complex.

This is an exciting time for our Association to come together and provide our players with the home they deserve. We are looking to all our members to serve a vital role in this transition.

This is a community wide call to action!! We will be reaching out to all our Lysander Youth Hockey and figure skating families, as well as community members, with opportunities to get involved very shortly. Everyone that comes to OUR complex will appreciate your support. Please reach out to one of the board members if you have an expertise that you would like to volunteer in helping bring this complex back to the glory days, your efforts won't be for nothing and will be recognized by all.

Cheers to our future,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Hinman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scott Hinman, Board President, and
The LYHA Board of Directors

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