STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FROM THE SCRANTON BUILDING TRADES & IBEW

It is very important to have this type of project in Lackawanna County.

The baseball project is vital for our area on a number of fronts – economics, jobs, quality of life, family fun, tax structure and recreation. It will generate a one-time \$23.5 million revenue infusion into our economy.

The project and new stadium design will surely rekindle the flame of baseball in our area. And, the Scranton Building Trades & IBEW are proud to support both.

This development is a very good thing. It promotes an outstanding quality of life and a high level of excitement for families to take their young children to and share the baseball experience. It will also be a great opportunity for our retired citizens to enjoy a very reasonable form of entertainment.

Not only will this project help attendance, but it will also provide much needed jobs, approximately 350 construction positions, for our area. These will be family sustaining jobs that will help our residents to be able to spend and recreate more and also be a much needed boost to both our tax structure and overall economic climate.

The Scranton Building Trades & IBEW strongly support the stadium project and agreement.

Rick Schraeder

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