June 17, 2019

Senator Rick Girdler
Representative Walker Thomas
Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee
Legislative Research Commission
Capital Annex Room 34
Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Authorization Increase: Expand Papa John’s (Cardinal) Stadium Complex

Dear Senator Girdler and Representative Thomas:

In accordance with provisions of KRS 45.760, I am writing to request an authorization increase of $1,178,180 for the project Expand Papa John’s (Cardinal) Stadium Complex. This is less than a 1.9% increase.

The General Assembly authorized the project through the 2016-2022 Six-Year Capital Plan for $55,000,000. The Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee increased the authorization for a new total of $63,250,000 at the November 15, 2016 meeting. The request for the additional authorization of $1,178,180 will complete the project.

The project site is a brownfield location and some unexpected environmental issues contributed to the need for additional authorization. Throughout the construction phase, costs for dewatering increased substantially beyond original project estimates. The volume of captured storm water increased as open excavations were extended due to found utilities and other subgrade obstructions that were encountered.

Funding to be provided by University of Louisville Athletics Association and will not require the use of any current general funds or any funds appropriated for another purpose.

Please contact Kim Noltemeyer at 502-852-8186, if you have any questions regarding the scope change for this project.

Sincerely,

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