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The Honorable Tom Wolf  
Governor  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
225 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Governor Wolf,

As Pennsylvania continues to move towards safely reopening our economy, we are asking you to allow youth baseball and softball in counties which are in the yellow or green phase to resume.

Many children and parents have endured the changes that COVID-19 has forced into their lives and are ready to resume youth sport activities with proper safety guidelines.

Youth sports, including baseball and softball are a vital part of children's summer routine and the return of this sport will help them readjust towards the new normal. Baseball and Softball, while team sports, naturally lend themselves to social distancing and with a firm plan in place are sports that can easily be adapted to post COVID-19 practices, in both yellow and green phases.

A local coalition of youth baseball and softball associations representing more than 13,000 families have been hard at work to collectively address the balanced need to provide a healthy and safe environment where youth ages 8-16 can play baseball or softball to maintain their health and mental well-being, while maintaining proper distance to keep the community safe. We have attached a copy of their plan for your review.

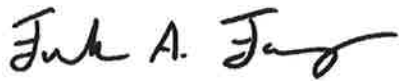
Our community is prepared to ensure that safety remains a priority, remain consistent with your administration's policies and the bipartisan legislation that has been passed as recently as Thursday. We are confident that youth baseball and softball can safely begin their season and look forward to working with you on guidelines that will allow this to happen.

Honorable Tom Wolf, Governor  
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Sincerely,



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