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<u>April 27, 2011</u> <u>VIA FEDEX</u>

Allan H. (Bud) Selig Commissioner of Major League Baseball 245 Park Avenue, 31st Floor New York, NY 10167

Re: Coach Roger McDowell

Dear Mr. Selig:

I represent Justin Quinn, age 33, who recently attended a Giants, Atlanta Braves baseball game with his 9 year-old twin daughters, his wife Jessica and other relatives on April 23, 2011 at the Giants Stadium in San Francisco, California. Mr. Quinn was in the bleachers with his children at batting practice when he and his family observed Atlanta Braves Coach, Roger McDowell, making some extremely rude and homophobic comments to three men who were also in the bleachers. Mr. Quinn heard Coach McDowell say to these men, "Are you guys a homo couple or a threesome?" Then, the coach allegedly grabbed a baseball bat and started shoving the small end through a circle formed by his finger and thumb, simulating sex. The coach then allegedly said, "Are you three giving it to each other up the ass?" while thrusting his hips forward and backward in a sexual manner. Coach McDowell then put up three fingers, pointing at the men. In response, some individuals in the bleachers shouted out, "Oh my god."

At that point, Justin shouted, "Hey, there are kids out here." The coach replied, "Kids don't f'ing belong at the baseball park." The coach then picked up his bat and started walking in a threatening manner towards Mr. Quinn saying to him, "How much are your teeth worth?" The coach came within 5 feet of Justin and his family, placing Justin and his daughters in great fear of what would happen next. Justin, although in fear, managed to calm the coach down and

ultimately the coach left.

We are bringing this matter to your attention because we consider Coach McDowell's behavior to be completely unacceptable and outrageous and we believe it is important that the Commissioner of Baseball take immediate action to launch an investigation and then take appropriate disciplinary action. Actions that we think are appropriate are that both Coach McDowell and the team should be fined and Coach McDowell should be ordered to apologize to Mr. Quinn and his family, to all of the fans and to the city of San Francisco for his homophobic, vulgar and threatening behavior.

Finally, we also believe that Coach McDowell should be required to undergo sensitivity training.

"Take me out to the ball game" should never mean that fans and their families are forced to endure homophobic slurs, sexually explicit behavior or threatening conduct, the kind of misconduct displayed by Coach McDowell.

We look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

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