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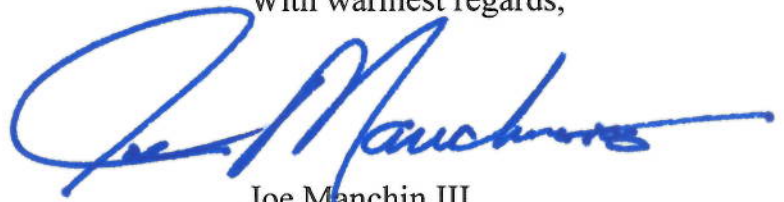
Dear Commissioners,

I write today in support of the 2020 U.S. Youth Soccer National President's Cup to be held at the new Shawnee Park Multi-Sport Complex, in Dunbar. As you know, the Shawnee Park Sport Complex will be the premier sports location in the state of West Virginia. The 127 acre complex, which is currently a golf course, is being transformed into a site with 6 collegiate size turf soccer fields, 4 collegiate size baseball and softball fields and a large grass area that can be lined for multiple sports fields, but no less than 4 full size soccer fields.

This facility is the ideal location for the National President's Cup tournament not only because of its amenities, but because of the people in the community who will help host the tournament. West Virginia houses 18 travel clubs, 37 recreational clubs, has 2 established adult soccer leagues, and a PDL Team, the WV Chaos. I understand that the soccer community is very excited about the possibility of hosting the tournament and is very supportive of your efforts to secure the National President's Cup tournament at the new Shawnee Park Multi-Sport Complex.

If the Shawnee Park Multi-Sport Complex is awarded the bid to host the tournament, I am certain that it will return to the Complex for years to come.

With warmest regards,



Joe Manchin III
United States Senator

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