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Pierre Ramond, Chair Faculty Senate 235C Tigert Hall University of Florida P.O. Box 113175 Gainesville, FL 32611-3275

Re: COIA Proposal

Dear Pierre:

The Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) is a coalition of faculty senates comprised of representatives from several NCAA Division IA institutions. In early 2004, COIA leaders, in consultation with the national Faculty Athletics Representatives Association, drafted Campus Athletics Governance, the Faculty Role: Principles, Proposed Rules, and Guidelines. (http://www.math.umd.edu/~jmc/COIA/Gov.html)

Over the course of several meetings, the University of Florida Intercollegiate Athletics Committee considered this document as a guide for faculty involvement in athletics oversight. The IAC embraces the ideals and principles contained in the COIA report, and requests that the UF Faculty Senate study the information and support the COIA document in principle.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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