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Ms. Albohm,

On behalf of the National Academy of Neuropsychology (NAN) and our more than 3500 members, I am writing this letter to applaud the efforts of the National Athletic Trainers' Association to bring sports related brain injury to the forefront of legislative discussions in the State of California and to offer our enthusiastic support of the Alliance to Address the Youth Sports Safety Crisis in America summit in Sacramento, California on January 12, 2010. NAN will be sending two participants to the summit—one representing NAN, Inc. and the second representing the NAN Foundation.

As you are aware, NAN is a professional association founded to advance Neuropsychology as a science and health profession, to promote human welfare and to generate and disseminate knowledge of brain-behavior relationships. One of our stated objectives in the NAN mission statement is to provide education to the public that fosters healthy behavior and the prevention of neurological illness and injury. We, therefore, welcome the opportunity to interact with the numerous stakeholder groups, to include state legislators, parents, and school administrators, that will be represented at the summit.

Best regards,

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