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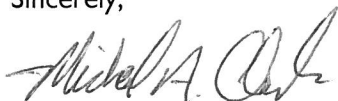
Dear NATA,

The National Academy of Sports Medicine commends the National Athletic Trainers' Association for creating the Alliance to address the youth sports safety crisis in America – a platform for the development and dissemination of evidence-based practices to make sports participation safer for younger athletes.

Participation in organized and recreational sporting activities is certainly not without risk. We want to ensure that young athletes, parents, coaches, and healthcare providers have access to and receive the best available care according to widely-accepted best practices.

We are committed to supporting initiatives and programs that protect our young athletes through research, product development and education. And by that, we're pleased to support the Youth Sports Safety Alliance.

Sincerely,



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