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The Honorable Tim Walberg
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Committee on Education and Workforce
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Robert C. "Bobby" Scott
Ranking Member
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Chairman Walberg and Ranking Member Scott:

I am writing on behalf of Madison Square Garden Entertainment Corp. and Madison Square Garden, The World's Most Famous Arena and a premier destination for sports and entertainment, home to the New York Knicks and Rangers, and a frequent host of major concerts, sports and live events. As a company that is focused on creating immersive, iconic experiences, and which has hosted many of the most historic boxing matches, including Joe Louis vs. Rocky Marciano, Jake LaMotta vs. Sugar Ray Robinson, Katie Taylor vs. Amanda Serrano, and Muhamad Ali vs. Joe Frazier, we write to express our strong support for H.R. 4624, otherwise known as the *Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act*.

For nearly 100 years, boxing was one of the most popular sports in America, consistently selling out arenas and stadiums around the country. For decades, millions of fans in cities like Las Vegas, Atlanta, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, and New York would flock to local venues to see their boxing heroes—American legends of the sport like Muhammad Ali, Joe Louis, Jack Dempsey, Mike Tyson, Sugar Ray Leonard, and Floyd Mayweather, Jr. However, in the past twenty years, the number of marquee boxing events held at venues in the United States has slowly declined, with many of boxing's premier fights now taking place overseas.

As just one example, since 2015, the majority of the most notable heavyweight title matches have taken place outside of the U.S.

As these boxing matches have migrated out of the U.S., they have taken with them the economic benefits that such popular, sold-out spectacles deliver to the host community.

Each moderate to large-scale boxing event represents a local economic engine for our venues. Local workers are employed in event operations, hospitality, security, and across many other functions. In addition, neighboring businesses to our buildings, such as restaurants, bars, and hotels, all see a concomitant spikes in revenue from such events.

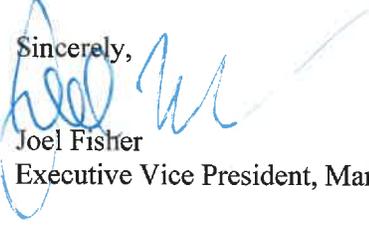
To use the closest analogue to boxing in combat sports, major UFC events routinely generate tens of millions of dollars for the communities that host them. By bringing more boxing cards to venues nationwide, communities around the country can share in these economic benefits.

The *Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act* would add to the available inventory of professional boxing matches in the United States by encouraging and incentivizing new promotions to produce such events. As you know, this legislation will not replace the current professional boxing structure involving sanctioning organizations. Instead, this bill would allow for the creation of a separate, parallel system that would produce more boxing events. These additional events would complement any boxing cards hosted in our venues that take place under the auspices of the sanctioning bodies system.

For decades, we have enjoyed exemplary relationships with all boxing stakeholders including promoters, managers, fighters, sanctioning bodies, and broadcast entities. We look forward to continuing these relationships to deliver world-class productions and unmatched fan experiences at our venues, while generating measurable positive economic impact in communities. As such, we support this effort to expand and enhance the professional boxing landscape through the *Muhammad Ali American Boxing Revival Act*.

We respectfully urge Congress to enact H.R. 4624, which would encourage, incentivize, and expand the scheduling of professional boxing events in the U.S. while also reviving American interest in this storied and celebrated sport.

Sincerely,



Joel Fisher

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