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Mayor Rice Members of Council City of North Canton

Re: Arrowhead Country Club

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

This is to confirm my conversation with Mr.Snyder, wherein I indicated that Chippewa Golf Corp. would be interested in assisting in the efforts of the City of North Canton to acquire and perhaps operate Arrowhead Country Club as a golf course. While I had made a proposal directly to Arrowhead, it was apparently rejected in favor of the City's proposals. As an aside, please note that I am bound to a confidentiality agreement with Arrowhead covering information they shared with me and so I would ask that you refrain from inquiring as to any of that unless we have Arrowhead's permission.

My intent if I did purchase Arrowhead, would have been to operate it as an 18 hole golf course, keep it green, and pay our own taxes.

Below I provide some information concerning Chippewa and my background. I think that this information will assist in understanding my commitment to golf and this part of Ohio. Hopefully you would conclude that my background can be helpful should the City successfully acquire Arrowhead and desire to provide for its long term protection as green space and as an operating golf course.

While it is perhaps premature to discuss particulars unless there is interest on the City's part, I would like to at least mention some possibilities for discussion. Certainly a transaction could be discussed where the City and Chippewa join together to acquire the course in a form in which Chippewa receives the assets and operating rights while the City retains development rights, oil & gas, and perhaps water rights. Another possibility is the City's purchase followed by a long term ground lease (e.g. 99 years) to Chippewa after which the same can be renewed or the land used for City purposes. Either possibility would provide the City with the ability to pay the necessary purchase price with resources in part coming from Chippewa or an entity Chippewa's owners form.

Certainly Arrowhead has an interest in the possible transaction moving smoothly through the Council approval process, and so I understand if there is insufficient time for the parties to discuss this approach. I would however welcome the opportunity to discuss options that allow Arrowhead to receive its price, the City to protect scarce open spaces, and Chippewa the ability to participate in preserving a golf course with great tradition.

A bit on my background:

Background.

I am currently the owner of Chippewa Golf Club in Doylestown, Ohio. I purchased the golf course in 1988 with my father Ron Larizza. I am a 1982 graduate of the Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Turfgrass Management. I attended high school at Glenwood High in Canton in 1975, then went to Canton Central Catholic in 1976, before finishing high school at Norwalk St Paul in 1977-1978.

I have owned Chippewa Golf Club for 15 years - turning it into one of the premier public golf courses in the area. Chippewa just recently completed a 1.3 million dollar renovation, including a total overhaul of the irrigation system.

I pride myself on the assembly of great management teams. Customer service has and always will be what sets the Chippewa team apart from its competition. Chippewa's director of golf and PGA golf professional is Dan Dauk, a graduate of Ferris State University. Chippewa was voted best golf shop in the public course category for the year 2000. Chippewa's Golf Course Superintendent is Brad Stewart, a graduate of Ohio State University, who joined Chippewa after serving at Canton Brookside, where he worked as an assistant for 6 years.

In closing, I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Kevin Larizza