

CANAL DOCK BOATHOUSE, INC.
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To Whom It May Concern:

Canal Dock Boathouse, Inc. (CDBI) is pleased to provide this letter of support for Veterans' Rowing & Kayaking, Inc.

Our organization plans to take responsibility for operating a \$30 million waterfront, community boating facility being constructed by the City of New Haven expected to open in 2017. Part of our vision is to open the waterfront for rowing, sailing and kayaking for members of the New Haven and Greater New Haven Area communities. Veterans' Rowing & Kayaking, Inc. fits into our vision and we hope their members will be able join our activities as early as May of this year.

We currently have two public high school indoor rowing programs in place, and plan to open on-water programming by May 1, 2015 at a local New Haven marina, prior to the completion of the new boathouse. We would like VR&K to be part of both our on-water and indoor rowing programs, and we are currently finalizing an MOU reflecting our interest in working together.

We have a two-year relationship with Paul Varszegi and appreciate his dedication to creating high quality rowing programs for Veterans with diverse needs. His efforts to establish Adaptive Sports and Recreational Therapy programs, as well as Blind/Vision Impaired Rowing programs in conjunction with the VA Healthcare System are admirable and we hope to provide locations where these programs can thrive.

VR&K's efforts to bring rowing to local community colleges by way of a College Military Rowing Program, which currently number four, is another activity we hope to support by creating access to indoor rowing machines, as well as to on-water facilities.

Finally, CDBI and VR&K will both need substantial funding for the purchase of rowing & kayaking equipment, as well as specialized adaptive rowing/kayaking equipment for Veterans and other disabled community members, to successfully augment the launch of the foregoing programs.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kindly,

John Pescatore, President
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