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Michael Alden, Chairman  
NCAA Football  
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I write in support of Pro Sports and Entertainment, Inc.'s application to bring the Emerald City Bowl to Seattle, Washington.

The City of Seattle will benefit from this event in a variety of ways. First and foremost, it will allow Seattle to showcase its warm Pacific Northwest hospitality and spectacular attractions, both natural and man-made. From the Space Needle to Pike's Place Market to Mount Rainier, Seattle and the surrounding area host an abundance of exciting activities and opportunities.

It will also generate much-needed economic benefits for our hotels and restaurants the week between Christmas and New Year's Day, as well as providing our avid sports fans the chance to see one more college football game at home. I know that the Emerald City Bowl will generate much civic pride among Seattle citizens and all Washingtonians.

Washington State welcomes Pro Sports and Entertainment, Inc. and the Emerald City Bowl to Seattle. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary Locke".

Gary Locke  
Governor