



United States Senate

December 18, 2020

Mr. Roger Goodell
Commissioner
National Football League
345 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10154

Dear Commissioner Goodell:

I appreciate your efforts in May to recognize health care workers on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic through “The Real Heroes Project.” As you know, the pandemic continues to grow worse with record levels of new COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths across the country. I therefore urge you to organize again, use the public reach your athletes have to influence Americans’ behavior, and underscore the need for people to follow public health guidance.

Earlier this month, the American Hospital Association, American Medical Association, and American Nurses Association called on Americans to protect themselves and others by taking three critical, scientifically-proven steps to prevent spread of COVID-19: maintain physical distancing, wear a mask, and wash your hands. I ask that you and your athletes promote this important public health message to ensure every family knows how to protect themselves, their loved ones, and their communities.

I hope you will agree that we must all do what we can to overcome this virus. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to join these efforts, or have your staff contact Andrew Fuentes in my Washington, D.C., office at (202) 224-3841.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dianne Feinstein".

Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator

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