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City Council 50 Dickson Street Cambridge ON

Dear City Council Members,

My name is Elena Kozyk; I am writing this letter on behalf of my daughter, Masha Zotova (Buddy League athlete since 2019), and all Baddy League families and friends to express our support for the development of an accessible baseball field for the Buddy League in Cambridge, Ontario.

As a community dedicated to inclusivity, we must provide equitable recreational opportunities for all athletes, regardless of their abilities. The Buddy League has been a beacon of hope for many families in our community, offering people with disabilities the chance to participate in baseball. However, the current facilities do not adequately meet the needs of these athletes. An accessible baseball field would enhance their experience and promote a sense of belonging and community involvement.

Investing in an accessible field would encourage more families to engage in physical activity, foster teamwork, and create lasting friendships. Additionally, it would align with our city's commitment to inclusivity and accessibility as outlined in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

We urge the council to consider the long-term benefits of this project, both for individuals and our community as a whole. Let's work together to create a more inclusive environment for everyone in Cambridge.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. We look forward to seeing our city take this significant step towards inclusivity and community engagement.

Sincerely,

Elena Kozyk