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Dear Trojan Athletic Family:

Since being named USC's director of athletics on November 7, I have had the immense pleasure of getting to know many of you and am grateful that you have all welcomed me as a member of the Trojan Family. At games, practices and team meetings, I am continually impressed by your dedication to our program, your competitiveness and your constant focus on achieving success both on and off the field. It is an honor and a privilege to be associated with this amazing group of people.

As I embrace my new role, I appreciate the clear expectations our student-athletes and loyal fans have for the athletics program. President Folt and I share the same determination to build a winning program rooted in integrity, with students at the center.

Working with you, we will position this department and our teams at the forefront of intercollegiate athletics. We had another successful fall season for Trojan Athletics. Our 2018 NCAA championship men's water polo team is headed to the NCAA Tournament for the 15th consecutive season, our women's volleyball team is set to compete in their 29th consecutive NCAA Tournament, and our women's soccer team advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals.

I salute our football players, Coach Helton and the rest of his staff for their strong finish to the regular season. The team's winning spirit and pursuit of excellence were on full display as they won five of their last six regular season games. I am pleased to let you know Coach Helton will continue to be our head coach. His commitment to our student-athletes and to leading with integrity is vital to restoring our championship program, which is the goal for all of our teams. Heading into 2020, Coach Helton and I will work together to take a hard look at all aspects of the football enterprise and will make the tough decisions necessary to compete at a championship level.

As we continue to build on the unique strengths of USC Athletics, we will be sharing additional actions to deliver an innovative vision for our program. My goal is to ensure all coaches have the support and resources they need to make USC the most attractive school in the country for well-rounded and promising young athletes. We will continue to make investments in our athletics programs, facilities and the fan experience for the benefit of the entire Trojan Family.

Many of you have shared helpful feedback thus far. Thank you. I look forward to continuing to work closely with our administrators and coaches to position student-athletes from all 21 of our athletics programs for success and deliver a program that builds on our Trojan heritage of outstanding athletic performance.

Fight On!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Bohn". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Mike Bohn