I was born in Belfont, Arkansas in 1923.

In 1935 I became a member of the Boy Scouts and the following year was first recongnized for leadership abilities when the Scoutmaster made me Patrol Leader of my troop. In 1937 I continued to get merit badges in Boy Scouts and ended up being a Life Boy Scout - barley missing the Eagle Scout honor.

I enjoyed playing football, baseball and tennis. I was a finalist in Tennis and was student manager of the basketball team. I also loved to fight! I beat Byron Dela Beckwith for the tissue paper weight at Camp Kia Kima.

In 10th grade I was voted class president and continued to be elected to various offices in the student body and made 2nd team as end on the football team the next year. In 12th grade I made first team football and was vice president of the Student Body.

In 1941 I quit college as war clouds over Europe became serious. I attempted to join the Navy but was turned down due to poor eyesight.

On Jan. 28,1943 I was drafted into the U.S. Army at Fort Oglethorp, Ga. I was promoted five times ending up as Tech Sergeant at the age of twenty one. I received my discharge Feb. 5, 1946.

Mr. Brown Badgett has had a significant impact upon education in western Kentucky. Over the past twenty years, he has provided funds to support the professional development of educators, to fund student scholarships, and to construct two athletic complexes.

### **Professional Development**

Mr. Badgett facilitated the development of the Badgett Regional Cooperative for Educational Enhancement in 1992. This facility, equipped for worldwide network communication, provides the freedom and resources for educational personnel to grow professionally without leaving the community. The Badgett Center now serves eleven school districts and is frequently the host site for regional and state meetings. The Badgett Foundation contributes \$75,000.00 annually to support the work of this cooperative.

### Scholarships

The Brown Badgett Foundation Scholarship program which began with the class of 1990 recognizes ten Hopkins County Schools graduates annually with renewable four-year scholarships. This foundation has awarded over \$60,000.00 in scholarships to deserving students. The college graduation rate for these students exceeds ninety percent. Many of these graduates have returned to Madisonville and are doctors, attorneys, nurses, educators, accountants, farmers and engineers. This legacy will have a tremendous impact upon Madisonville and Hopkins County for many years.

### **Athletics**

The Brown Badgett Foundation has provided over 1.6 million dollars to construct two state of the art athletic complexes equipped with weight rooms, multipurpose rooms, locker rooms, and stadium seating. The first facility was completed in 1989 at Madisonville North Hopkins High School and the second facility at Hopkins County Central High School was completed in the fall of 2000. Hopkins County now has two of the best athletic facilities in the state designed to enhance both player and spectator safety.

The impact of these contributions will be felt in Hopkins County and throughout western Kentucky for many years. These programs and facilities would not exist without the vision, financial and personal contributions of Brown Badgett. He is truly a friend to education. His generosity and recognition of educational excellence create a spirit of giving which others can emulate.



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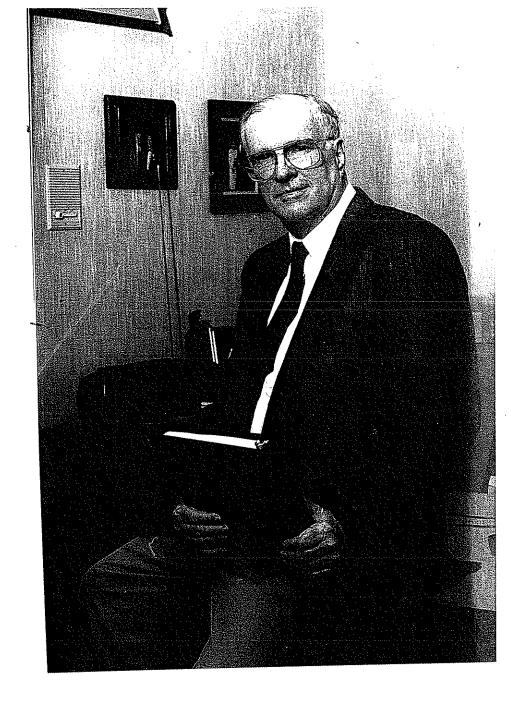
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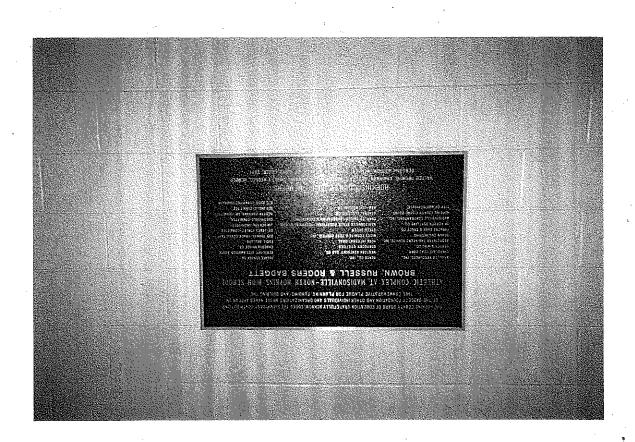
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It is my pleasure to recommend Mr. **Brown Badgett** for the Dawahares Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

In my thirty plus years in education, I can not remember any individual other than Brown Badgett that has given more to the youth in Hopkins County. Mr. Badgett is our strongest and most dedicated supporter of athletes, athletics and academics. Mr. Badgett is always receptive to the needs of all students in Hopkins County Schools.

The Brown Badgett Foundation started recognizing ten Hopkins County Schools graduates per year in 1990 with four year scholarships. To date, these scholarships total over \$600,000.00. Mr. Badgett was the major contributor, of over three million dollars, in the development of the Brown Badgett Athletic Complex at Madisonville North Hopkins High School. The complex opened in 1989 to include a football field, track, soccer field, softball field, three practice fields and a field house. Mr. Badgett contributed over a half million dollars for the construction of a field house and athletic fields at Hopkins County Central High School in 1999.

I appreciate your consideration of **Mr. Brown Badgett** for the Dawahares/KHASS Hall of Fame.

Respectfully submitted,

James L. Stevens
Superintendent

Hopkins County Schools



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Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee

### Gentlemen:

This letter is in support of the nomination of Mr. Brown Badgett for Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association hall of Fame award for his contributions to interscholastic sports in Kentucky.

I have known Mr. Badgett for over fifty years and during that time his interest, enthusiasm and financial support for all levels of sports in Kentucky has been outstanding. By levels, I mean junior high, high school and college.

In Hopkins County, Kentucky, Mr. Badgett's financial support was instrumental in building the athletic complexes for both Madisonville-North Hopkins High School and Hopkins Central High School. These complexes included football stadiums, dressing rooms, meeting rooms, playing fields, track facilities and all other enhancements.

Mr. Badgett has been a great supporter for the University of Kentucky for the past fifty years, by giving athletes summer jobs, lending his airplane for recruiting trips, season ticket holder, as well as financial support. He was an original contributor to the Wildcat Lodge which houses the basketball team.

For the above reasons, I think Mr. Badgett is a person very deserving of being included in the Kentucky Athletic High School Hall of Fame.

Very truly yours

Frank Ramsey, Jr

FVR/jm

### John D. McClearn 315 Cedar Circle Madisonville, Kentucky 42431

October 25, 2002

Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee KHSAA 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, KY 40505

### Dear Nomination Committee:

I am honored to provide a letter of support on behalf of Mr. Brown Badgett's nomination for your distinguished award. I have known and worked with Mr. Badgett for several years and am confident that he is worthy of such distinguished recognition.

I am a former high school and collegiate athlete. Certainly my life was influenced by my experiences on the athletic fields and courts. I graduated from college and began teaching and coaching. As my educational career progressed I served as a principal, instructional supervisor, assistant superintendent and later superintendent of the Hopkins County Schools. Throughout my career it was evident to me that athletics often played a significant role in the lives of students. During my career with the Hopkins County Schools I was fortunate to meet and work with Mr. Brown Badgett, a local successful businessman, who also recognized the importance of academics and athletics. We worked together on several projects that benefited students, the school system and the community.

The most significant projects were the capital campaign and construction of the YMCA, and the construction of two athletic complexes. The multimillion – dollar YMCA facility provides beginning intramural sports training in soccer, basketball, baseball, and swimming for the development of youth. This facility provides state of the art resources and a well-trained staff and volunteers who work to develop the skills of young people. Many of these individuals go on to become or high school and college athletes. Currently our high school swim teams practice at the YMCA indoor pool and this facility is host to their home swim meets. Without the personal financial support of Brown Badgett or his ability to generate other capital donors this facility would not be in existence.

Mr. Badgett's financial and emotional support for athletics is readily visible at the two high school athletic complexes for which he was the major contributor. Both facilities cost in excess of three million dollars and are considered state of the art athletic complexes. Each facility includes an athletic field house, aluminum bleachers, press box,

scoreboard, and track. The field house contains locker rooms, a weight room, an athletic training room, and an all purpose room. His generosity made it possible for the Hopkins County Board of Education to provide quality athletic complexes at both high schools many years sooner than if they had to rely only upon capital construction funds. The facilities are a point of pride for our school system, athletes, coaches and community. In addition to his financial contributions, Mr. Badgett is attends many of our middle and high school athletic functions. His presence provides support for our coaches, athletes, and parents.

Mr. Badgett has also contributed over \$600,000.00 to academic scholarships for students who have outstanding grade point averages, character, and work ethic, but who fail to meet the rigorous standard of collegiate academic financial awards. These students, known as Brown Badgett scholars, have had over a ninety percent completion rate for college graduation. Many of these graduates have returned to our community as doctors, attorneys, nurses, teachers, and farmers.

Mr. Badgett also supports collegiate athletics throughout the state, but particularly at the University of Kentucky.

I know that the Kentucky High School Athletic Association has many valuable supporters that are worthy of Hall of Fame recognition, but I am hopeful that you will give Mr. Badgett's nomination serious consideration. It is difficult to provide you with an adequate description of the influence that he has had upon athletics, academics and community pride in Madisonville. Receipt of this award would validate the valuable contributions that he has so humbly made.

Sincerely.

John D. McClearn Retired Superintendent

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**Hopkins County Schools** 

### Joe B. Hall Lexington, KY 40507

October 26, 2002

Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Committee Members:

It is indeed my pleasure to provide a letter of support for my dear friend Brown Badgett for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame award. I have known Brown for many years and am well acquainted with his financial and moral support for high school and collegiate athletics. He is a strong believer and supporter of interscholastic athletics.

During my years as the coach of the University of Kentucky Wildcats I attended several athletic functions in Hopkins County Schools as Mr. Badgett's guest. I toured the Brown Badgett Athletic Complex located at Madisonville North Hopkins High School upon its completion in 1989. At that time and to my knowledge there was no finer high school complex in the state of Kentucky. Perhaps most significant was the partnership that existed between Mr. Badgett, the school system and the community that worked together to secure the funding for the athletic complex. Surely, this example has served as a model to the state as a way of maximizing a school district's resources. As you know, approximately ten years later Mr. Badgett and the Hopkins County Schools constructed a very similar complex at the district's other high school. This has to be an unusual and significant contribution for any one individual. In addition to his support and funding for facilities, Brown has also funded several academic scholarships to deserving high school seniors.

Mr. Badgett has been a loyal fan and supporter of the University of Kentucky for over fifty years. He has assisted with funding of specific projects such as Wildcat Lodge, as well as providing general financial support for the basketball, football, and academic programs at the university. He believes that athletics contributes to the development of the mind, body and spirit. His dedication to high school and collegiate athletics is worthy of recognition by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. I recommend him without reservation for such an honor.

Sincerely,

Joe B. Hall



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29 October 2002

Mrs. Linda Zellich Assistant Superintendent Hopkins County Schools 320 South Seminary Street Madisonville, KY 42431

Dear Mrs. Zellich:

I am writing to you in regards to the nomination of Mr. Brown Badgett for the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame award. Mr. Badgett and his family have been very active in supporting competitive athletics particularly at the high school level and particularly involving schools in Hopkins County. Through his generous support, we have had the opportunity to have excellent facilities for athletics developed both at Madisonville North Hopkins High School and at Hopkins County Central High School. These include practice facilities and primary sports complexes with excellent playing fields and training facilities for sports medicine. Through the years, his donations have allowed provisions for protective equipment, along with safe transportation, for our athletes.

In my opinion, Mr. Badgett is very deserving of this award and I would strongly recommend his consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph E. Roe, M.D. Medical Director

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October 28, 2002

Linda Zellich, Assistant Superintendent Hopkins County Schools 320 South Seminary Street Madisonville, KY 42431

Dear Linda

This is a letter of support for Mr. Brown Badgett for his nomination to the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Award for his contributions to interscholastic sports in Kentucky.

I have known Mr. Badgett for many years, as I am also a native of Hopkins County and can attest to his many contributions to the sports of this area.

I am aware of Mr. Badgett's contributions to the University of Kentucky as early as the 1950's, and he has been a very ardent supporter of the University of Kentucky and Madisonville Community College also.

He was the major financial contributor to the Madisonville North Hopkins High School Athletic Complex and the Hopkins Central High School Athletic Complex. I would consider both of these athletic complexes to be state of the art for high schools. This would include the football fields, stadiums and field houses at both schools. Without his generosity, I doubt that either of these athletic complexes would be in existence today.

In addition, his establishment of the Brown Badgett Scholarship Fund has allowed at least 50 students from this area to attend 4 years of college and many of them have returned to their home community to live and work.

Throughout the years his generosity and spirit of giving, particularly in the area of sports and education, has made a tremendously positive impact on the community.

I believe his nomination is well deserved, and I would conclude by wishing him good luck.

Respectfully,

AMES M. BOWLES, M.D.

### Scotty R. Parsons, Sr. 18015 Collins Bridge Road Dawson Springs, KY 42408

October 30, 2002

Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Selection Committee Kentucky High School Athletic Association 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Selection Committee Members:

Based upon his efforts and financial support, I consider it and honor as well as a pleasure to provide this letter of support for the nomination of Mr. Brown Badgett for the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame award. During my service to the Hopkins County Board of Education as assistant superintendent of facilities I found it a very rewarding experience to be associated with Mr. Badgett in his efforts to improve Hopkins County School's athletic facilities.

Construction of Madisonville North Hopkins High School was completed in 1968. Funds were not available to provided athletic fields and support facilities. These events were played at the junior high school located several miles across town. These were very poor conditions for supervision and player and spectator safety. In 1987 Mr. Badgett led the effort and provided much of the financing, equipment, and support to construct athletic fields and a running track on the campus at Madisonville North. Upon completion of these facilities he financed an athletic complex building, which included a training room, conditioning room, meeting room, and modern locker and dressing room. Included were all the equipment to provide a complete facility for the safe training and treatment of injuries. It is safe to say that Mr. Badgett's financial contribution was in excess of one million dollars. Total project cost was in excess of two million dollars.

Hopkins County Central High School was constructed in 1996. Upon completion of the high school there was enough money to begin preparation of the athletic fields, but not enough to provide for construction of field house, stadium and related facilities. Again, Mr. Badgett recognized the need and during the 1999-2000 school year he provided in excess of \$750,000.00 for the construction and equipping of an athletic complex comparable to the first facility.

Through the efforts and financial support of Mr. Badgett athletes and students of Hopkins County have access to the best and safest high school facilities found anywhere in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. I feel that Mr. Badgett deserves recognition for his generous efforts in financing these athletic facilities. I also know that Mr. Badgett would be pleased to be recognized by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.

Sincerely,

Scotty R. Parsons, Sr.

Retired Assistant Superintendent

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October 24, 2002

Linda Zellich Assistant Superintendent Hopkins County Schools 320 South Seminary Street Madisonville, KY 42431

Dear Mrs. Zellich

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Brown Badgett to the Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletics Association Hall of Fame.

Mr. Badgett has always been ready to give financial aid to children throughout the county.

I was personally involved in the layout and construction of the athletic complexes at Madisonville North Hopkins High School and Central High School. Each of those complexes cost approximately one million dollars which he graciously gave to the school system. These complexes still would not have been built without his funding.

When we needed a Y.M.C.A. for Hopkins County, he gave a tremendous amount to the project.

He has a scholarship fund which sends a number of students to college each year.

Mr. Badgett and I share a common opinion on the need for sports:

- 1. Sports help motivate a large number of students to continue their education.
- 2. Physical education and sports add to a child's health and mental fitness.
- 3. Sports teaches discipline!!!
- 4. It provides needed activities which in some cases, keeps children out of trouble.

Mr. Badgett has also been a major supporter of the Boy Scouts of America (Green River Council).

I could continue with other contributions he has made to sports, however, these are the ones of which I am most familiar.

Yours truly,

Oda Inglis

Ms. Linda Zellich Assistant Superintendent Hopkins County Schools Madisonville, Ky. 42431

October 29, 2002

Dear Linda,

I am writing in support of Mr. Brown Badgetts nomination to the Dawahares / Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame for his contributions to interscholastic sports.

As Executive Director of the Hopkins County Family YMCA I have seen first hand the impact of Mr. Badgetts financial generosity on our community. Without Mr. Badgetts lead gift the YMCA facility would not have been possible. Now, the YMCA has grown into over a million dollar yearly budget offering hundreds of fitness and sports opportunities to youth in our community. This exposure is usually the first for children who eventually end up as our High School Athletes.

From that first campaign and building in the late 70's up to today after two more building phases we have grown to provide Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball and swim teams. We have weight rooms and cardiovascular equipment for conditioning. We are the only indoor swimming pool in the county and provide the High School teams practice time and hold there meets here. Our swim team has become a regional power and has High School champions and state record holders.

Daily, we have hundreds of youth walk through our doors, some for wellness purposes and others dreaming of the game winning goal or basket with 10 seconds to go in the state championship game. Whatever the purpose, it is a positive alternative in a time where we need character, integrity and positive values so desperately.

I say all of this because without Mr. Badgetts generosity literally over the past 20 years since our initial building thousands of youth would not have had the opportunity to participate nor have their lives impacted for the better.

In closing I strongly urge and encourage your decision to award Mr. Badgett for his efforts by inclusion in the Dawahares / Kentucky High School Athletic Association hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Edward L. Wallace Executive Director

Hopkins County Family YMCA

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Dawahares/Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Kentucky High School Athletic Association 2280 Executive Drive Lexington, KY 40505

### Dear Committee Members:

I am writing to support the nomination of Brown Badgett to the Dawahares/ Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame. I became acquainted with Mr. Badgett approximately fifteen years ago as a result of his philanthropic endeavors with the school system.

The Hopkins County Schools have benefited from Mr. Badgett's vision, leadership and generosity. I have worked with the Brown Badgett Foundation in the establishment and maintenance of the Brown Badgett Foundation Scholarship program. This foundation, created in 1990, has provided renewable four-year scholarships for selected graduating seniors from the district's two high schools. As of this date, there are over seventy Brown Badgett Foundation Scholars. Since its inception, over ninety five percent of the students selected for this program have graduated from college. Mr. Badgett wanted to assist students of character who had demonstrated excellence in the classroom, on the academic fields, or in other extra curricular activities. Many of these graduates have returned to our community as doctors, attorneys, nurses, teachers, and farmers. His generosity and kindness has certainly impacted our community and this legacy will continue for many years.

Mr. Badgett was fundamental in the construction of the athletic complexes at both Madisonville North Hopkins High School and Hopkins County Central High School. Each facility has a field house equipped with athletic training equipment, a weight room, offices, locker/shower rooms, and an all purpose room. Bleachers, press box, track, and fields are also included. Mr. Badgett's partnership with the schools and community has provided unique opportunities for our students and our athletes.

Mr. Badgett has a genuine desire to improve the quality of life in his community. He is a very caring person who truly enjoys helping others and he never seeks public recognition for his contributions. Athletics had a major influence on Mr. Badgett's life and he has used this avenue to encourage and support many students and adults. I know that he would consider it a significant honor to be recognized by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. I truly believe that he is a very worthy candidate.

Sincerely,

Linda Q. Zellich

Assistant Superintendent

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### **Hopkins County Central High School**



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KHSAA/Dawahares Hall of Fame Committee:

I am honored to support our school district's nomination of Mr. Brown Badgett for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association/Dawahares Hall of Fame. Mr. Badgett has been instrumental in the completion of the athletic facilities at Hopkins County Central High School.

When our school began seven years ago, we were pleased with our academic physical plant; however, we had no athletic fields on site and were forced to share facilities with a neighboring middle school. Our dreams of on-site athletic fields and an athletic complex were just that – dreams in the distant future. The dreams became a reality when, as the local board of education slowly began to work on our fields, Mr. Badgett offered financing for the Badgett Fieldhouse, which is adjacent to Storm Stadium and helped to complete our athletic complex in the fall of 2001. Badgett Fieldhouse provides dressing facilities, a fully-equipped weight room, a training room, concession and restrooms areas, coaches' offices, and a multipurpose room. All of our sports benefit from this versatile facility.

Without Mr. Badgett's generosity, we would not have one of the finest fieldhouses in Western Kentucky and we would still be years away from realizing our dreams of an on-site athletic complex. The entire school community appreciates Mr. Badgett's unparalleled generosity and his commitment to the young people of Hopkins County. As a major benefactor of Hopkins County education for decades, Mr. Badgett is most deserving of recognition in the KHSAA/Dawahares Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Susanne Wolford

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Hopkins County Central High School community is committed to providing a safe, supportive learning environment and to educating students to be successful, productive, and contributing citizens.

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October 24, 2002

### **Dear Selection Committee**

It is indeed a pleasure to write of letter of support for Brown Badgett's inclusion in Dawahares' KHSAA Hall of Fame. Mr. Badgett has definitely played a major role in interscholastic athletics both locally and at the University of Kentucky.

Mr. Badgett, his brothers, and other local community members, were the guiding force and major contributors in the building of the Badgett Athletic Complex on our campus in the late 80's. A few years ago, Brown Badgett once again showed his support with the construction of the Brown Badgett Athletic Complex on the campus of Hopkins County Central High School.

In addition to these first-class facilities, Brown Badgett has always been and continues to be willing to serve the youth. He has established a foundation that provides thousands of dollars for scholarships and support annually. He was instrumental in the development of the Badgett Center which coordinates professional development for teachers in Western Kentucky and is a regional source for educational support.

Brown Badgett is a true asset to today's youth and certainly deserves to be inducted into the Dawahares' KHSAA Hall of Fame. Feel free to call me for further information.

Sincerely

Gale Travis, CAA

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NEVILLE MOORE (1899-1982) CARROLL MORROW (1907-1990)

Dawahares - KHSAA Hall of Fame 2280 Executive Drive 40505 Lexington, KY

Re: Brown Badgett

Dear Sir or Madam:

It is my privilege to write this letter of recommendation that local resident Brown Badgett be nominated and admitted into the Dawahares - Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

I am fortunate to know Mr. Badgett in several different capacities. First, I am the attorney for the Hopkins County Board of Education and in that capacity I have personally seen the financial contributions that Mr. Badgett has made to high school There are two (2) high schools in Hopkins sports in Kentucky. County, Madisonville North Hopkins and Hopkins County Central. Badgett has funded a field house, football field, track, and state of the art training facility at both of these high schools. Frankly, I consider our school system to be the envy of the state because we have facilities that would rival many college programs and this is due to the generosity of Mr. Badgett.

When teams play football, attend track meets, or attend weightlifting competitions in western Kentucky they come to Hopkins County and at either high school they are greeted at the Brown Badgett Complex. The name "Brown Badgett" is synonymous with athletic facilities of the highest caliber in western Kentucky.

In addition to his financial contributions to these field houses and football fields, Mr. Badgett is a strong supporter of youth sports which are the backbone of high school sports in Mr. Badgett makes financial contributions to youth organizations such as youth baseball and youth basketball which helps the feeder programs of our local schools.

Finally, on a personal note, Mr. Badgett is a good fan of high school sports. Often times when Madisonville North Hopkins and Hopkins County Central are playing in football or basketball, it is very common to see Mr. Badgett in the stands and I have been fortunate to have the privilege to sit with him at several games and his knowledge and following of the sport is of the highest level.

I can think of no other person not currently in the Dawahares - KHSAA Hall of Fame who is more worthy of induction and hope you will give Mr. Badgett serious consideration for this honor.

Respectfully,

J. Keith Cartwright

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### THE BROWN BADGETT FOUNDATION, INC. Madisonville, Kentucky

Mailing Address: 1500 Frederica St. P.O. Box 390 Owensboro, KY 42302-0390

May 27, 1988

Hopkins County Board of Education Madisonville, Kentucky 42431

Dear Board Members:

The Brown Badgett Foundation is a charitable corporation established and funded by the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Badgett. Through discussions with concerned citizens and representatives of your board, the Foundation has been made aware of the inadequate sports facilities existing for the Madisonville-North Hopkins High School. To assist in correcting this condition, the Foundation is agreeable to constructing and dedicating the following facilities:

- A pre-engineered steel building to be used as an athletic field house, represented by the proposed drawings accompanying this letter;
- Aluminum bleachers for one side of the football field seating 3,884 persons;
- Relocation of the press box currently located at the existing football stadium;
- Installation of a new scoreboard;
- 5. Two new aluminum goal posts; and

The construction and donation of these facilities is conditioned upon the following:

- The plans for such facilities are to be first approved by all applicable governmental agencies of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- Acceptance of the proposed plans by your board;

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- 3. The granting of all required and necessary authorization to the Foundation's contractor, Madisonville Contractors, Inc., to construct these facilities;
- 4. Acceptance of the general contractor, Madisonville Contractors, Inc., builder's risk and liability insurance;
- 5. Recognition the Foundation's grant is limited to the construction of the described facilities and does not require any site preparation other than that necessary for the construction of these facilities, and
- 6. Designation of some person by the board to act as liason to the Foundation.

Upon completion, dedication and acceptance by the Hopkins County Board of Education of these facilities, the Foundation would appreciate discussing with the board the possibility of providing an annual grant to defray labor expenses as might be incurred through the use of the athletic fields during the summer months so the athletic fields might be used by participants year-round.

The Foundation and its contractor would welcome the opportunity to appear before the Board to answer any questions you might have. If you feel this would be beneficial, please contact Flem Gordon at (502) 926-7500.

Yours very truly,

HE BROWN BADGETT FOUNDATION, INC.

By: Flem Gordon

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Enclosures

### Hopkins County Schools

DR. DAVID B. GOVER, SUPERINTENDENT MADISONVILLE, KENTUCKY

June 2, 1988

Hon. Flem Gordon
The Brown Badgett Foundation, Inc.
1500 Frederica St.
P. O. Box 390
Owensboro, KY 42302-0390

RE: Hopkins County Board of Education

Dear Mr. Gordon:

Thank you for your presentation to the Board of the Foundation's proposed facilities gift to the people of Hopkins County. As you know the Board voted to accept the proposed athletic complex subject to approval by the State Department of Education. Although we do not yet have the specifics of their requirements, we have been told that this construction project will be approved. We have been told that among other things the State Department of Education will review the construction plans and drawings for approval. This will also require approval by other state agencies including the State Fire Marshall. The State Board will also require builder's risk insurance and a written contract between the Board and The Brown Badgett Foundation.

The Board has directed Mr. Scotty Parsons, Assistant Superintendent, and the Board attorney, Mr. Rudy Thomas, to work with you and the State Department of Education to move these plans along as rapidly as possible. You and the contractor, Mr. O. T. Rudd, or any other individual associated with this project, should feel free to contact Mr. Parsons or Mr. Thomas for any assistance that might be required in expediting the construction of the facility.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Again, on behalf of the Hopkins County Board of Education and the citizens of Hopkins County, we are very appreciative of this gift and look forward to its completion and use by all Hopkins Countians.

Very truly yours,

David B. Gover



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## **BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION** DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

# Dertificate of Occupancy

### IS HEREBY GRANTED

BADGET ATHLETIC COMPLEX-STADIUM SEATING) MADISONVILLE NORTH HOPKINS HIGH SCHOOL

(FACILITY NAME)

MADISONVILLE, KENTUCKY U.S. 41 NORTH

(ADDRESS)

(COUNTY) HOPKINS COUNTY

RESTRICTIONS IF ANY

Use Group EDUCATIONAL

018833-003-0 DHBC Case No.\_

NONTRANSFERABLE

W. February 21, 1989

Chart Building Code Offical

February 21, 1989 Date

Date

Assistant Building Code Official