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To Members of the California Delegation

This week, the Summer Olympics will open in London and more than 500 of our nation's best athletes will be there to represent the US. This exceptional team of individuals from across the United States includes, I am proud to note, a talented group of student and alumni athletes and coaches from the University of California.

Participating in this year's Olympic Games will be 75 athletes and 16 coaches affiliated with the University of California. These athletes, representing nearly ten percent of the US Olympic delegation and almost half of those participating from California, will be competing in over 35 different events. Attached is a comprehensive list of all UC-affiliated Olympic athletes competing this summer. As I am sure you know, it takes enormous dedication by these athletes and coaches, both on the field and off the field, to represent our country in the Olympics.

In addition to the success UC athletes have in their athletic programs, they also have enjoyed great success in their academic studies. The student-athlete's experiences on the practice field, in competition and in the classroom combine to create a well-rounded individual with a dedication to integrity, teamwork, excellence, personal growth and individual respect. Many of the student athletes are awarded all-academic honors from their athletic conferences for outstanding academic performance. In addition, all seven of UC's National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) campuses--Berkeley, Davis, Irvine, UCLA, Riverside, San Diego, and Santa Barbara--have an overall student athlete graduation success rate that is higher than the federal graduation rate. The University of California takes well-deserved pride in our student and alumni athletes who not only obtain a world class education, but who represent our great state and country on the world stage.

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It is a tremendous honor to have such dedicated and talented individuals represent us at the Olympic Games this summer. I hope you will join me in cheering for these student and alumni athletes as we watch them compete for our country in London. If you would like more information about UC-affiliated athletes, please don't hesitate to be in touch with Associate Vice President Gary Falle in my Washington office. He can be reached by telephone at (202) 974-6319 or by email at Gary.Falle@ucdc.edu.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark G. Yudof". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent flourish at the end.

Mark G. Yudof
President

cc: Provost Dorr
Senior Vice President Dooley
Associate Vice President Falle

Affiliated University of California Student Athletes, Alumni and Coaches Participating in the 2012 Olympic Games

Badminton

Rena Wang, Singles and Doubles, UCLA, Biology, '13

Basketball

Kevin Love, Forward, UCLA, Drafted in '08

Russell Westbrook, Guard, UCLA, African-American Studies, Drafted in '08

Canoe and Kayak

Carrie Johnson, K-1 Sprint, UC San Diego, Biochemistry, '08; Attending UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine in August

Cycling

Amber Neben, Road Cycling, Individual Time Trial, UC Irvine, M.S. in Biology, '00

Gymnastics

Anna Li, Alternate, UCLA, '10

Rowing

Erin Cafaro, Women's Eight, UC Berkeley, Political Science, '06

Elliot Hovey, Men's Quadruple Sculls, UC Berkeley, American Studies, '07

Kara Kohler, Quad Sculls, UC Berkeley, Undeclared, '14

Julie Nichols, Lightweight Doubles, UC Berkeley, Chemical Engineering, '00

Zach Vlahos, Men's Eight, UC Berkeley, Interdisciplinary Studies, '11

Soccer

Lauren Cheney, UCLA, Sociology, '09

Sydney LeRoux, UCLA, History, '12

Alex Morgan, UC Berkeley, Political Economy, '10

Swimming

Nathan Adrian, 100m Freestyle and 4x100m Freestyle Relay, UC Berkeley, Pre-med, '10

Rachel Bootsma, 100m Backstroke, Recently committed to UC Berkeley

Natalie Coughlin, 400m Freestyle Relay, UC Berkeley, Psychology, '05

Anthony Ervin, 50m Freestyle, UC Berkeley, Interdisciplinary Studies, '10

Jessica Hardy, 100m Freestyle and 400m Freestyle Relay, UC Berkeley, Went pro in '07

Caitlin Leverenz, 200m and 400m Individual Medley, UC Berkeley, Undeclared, '13

Jason Lezak, 4x100m Freestyle Relay, UC Santa Barbara, Economics, '99

Dana Vollmer, 100m Butterfly and 800m Freestyle Relay, UC Berkeley, Anthropology, '09

Scott Weltz, 200m Breaststroke, UC Davis, Economics, '10

Track and Field

Amy Acuff, High Jump, UCLA, Biology, '97

Brittany Borman, Javelin, UCLA, '09

Kim Conley, 5000m, UC Davis, '09

Jessica Cosby, Hammer Throw, UCLA, '05

Dawn Harper, 100m Hurdles, UCLA, Psychology, '06

Meb Keflezighi, Marathon, UCLA, Communication Studies with a Business Emphasis, '98
Alysia Montano, 800m, UC Berkeley, Performing Arts, '08

Volleyball (Beach)

Todd Rogers, UC Santa Barbara, Religious Studies, '96

Volleyball (Indoor)

Jayson Jablonsky, Alternate, UC Irvine, Criminology, '06
Carli Lloyd, Alternate, UC Berkeley, '12
David Smith, Middle Blocker, UC Irvine, Civil Engineering, '08
Brian Thornton, Setter, UC Irvine, Sociology, '08

Water Polo

Ryan Bailey, Co-Captain, UC Irvine, Social Science, '98
Tim Hutten, UC Irvine, Political Science, '08
Chay Lapin, UCLA, Geography and Environmental Studies, '09
John Mann, UC Berkeley, International Relations, '07
Courtney Mathewson, UCLA, Sociology, '08
Heather Petri, UC Berkeley, Integrative Biology, '02
Jeff Powers, UC Irvine, Political Science, '03
Kelly Rulon, UCLA, History, '07
Elsie Windes, UC Berkeley, Interdisciplinary Studies, '08
Adam Wright, UCLA, History and Sociology, '01

Coaches and Supporting Staff

Bob Alejo, Beach Volleyball, Coach, Former Men's Coach at UCLA
Christina Allen, Taekwondo Team Doctor, School of Medicine at UC San Francisco
Cindy Chang, Medical Staff, Chief Medical Officer at UC Berkeley
Jillian Ellis, Women's Soccer, Assistant Coach, Former Women's Coach at UCLA
Karch Kiraly, Women's Volleyball, Assistant Coach, UCLA, Biochemistry, '83
Dan Klatt, Women's Water Polo, Assistant Coach, Current Women's Head Coach at UC Irvine
Lauren Korholz, Women's Rowing, Assistant Coach, UC Berkeley, '94
Adam Krikorian, Women's Water Polo, Head Coach, Current Men's Head Coach at UCLA
Al Lau, Beach Volleyball, Team Leader, UCLA
Ron Larsen, Men's Volleyball, Assistant Coach Current Men's Head Coach at UC Riverside
Teri McKeever, Women's Swimming, Head Coach Current Coach at UC Berkeley
Jamie Morrison, Women's Volleyball, Assistant Coach, UC Irvine, Current Women's Asst. Coach at UC Irvine
Dave O'Neill, Women's Rowing Lightweight Double Sculls, Coach, Current Women's Coach at UC Berkeley
Gary Sato, Men's Indoor Volleyball, Assistant Coach, UC Santa Barbara, '77
Michael Sealy, Men's Volleyball, Scout Coach, Current Women's Head Coach at UCLA
Jenny Simon-O'Neill, Official Olympic blogger, UC Berkeley
John Speraw, Men's Indoor Volleyball, Assistant Coach, Current Men's Head Coach at UCLA, UCLA, '95
Mike Teti, Men's Rowing Eight, Head Coach, Current Men's Coach at UC Berkeley
Paula Weishoff, Women's Indoor Volleyball, Assistant Coach, Current Women's Head Coach at UC Irvine

International Athletes and Coaches

Stephanie Au, Swimming, 100 and 200-meter backstroke, UC Berkeley, Undeclared, '14, Hong Kong

Henrique Barbosa, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Interdisciplinary Studies, '06, Brazil

Lauren Boyle, Swimming, 200, 400, and 800 meter freestyle and 800 meter freestyle relay, UC Berkeley, Business Administration, '10, New Zealand

Milorad Cavic, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Political Economy, '06, Serbia

Will Dean, Men's 4x Rowing Coach, Canada, Men's Coach at UC Berkeley

Damir Dugonjic, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Conservation and Resource Studies, '10, Slovenia

Danusia Francis, Gymnastics, Alternate, UCLA, Great Britain

Scott Frandsen, Rowing, Pair, UC Berkeley, Business, '03 Canada

Mathias Gydesen, Swimming, 100-meter backstroke, UC Berkeley, Business Administration, '10, Denmark

Betsy Hassett, Soccer, UC Berkeley, New Zealand

Mark Hunter, Rowing, Lightweight Double Sculls, UCLA Women's Assistant Coach, Great Britain

Sara Isakovic, Swimming, 200 meter freestyle and 100 meter butterfly, UC Berkeley, Psychology, '12, Slovenia

Kari Karlsson, Track and Field, Marathon, UC Berkeley, Operations Research and Management Science, Iceland

Yoo Kim, Track and Field, Pole Vault, UCLA, '04, Korea

Peng Peng Lee, Gymnastics, Honorary Captain, UCLA, '15, Canada

Martin Liivamagi, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Political Economy, '10, Estonia

Martin Maric, Track and Field, Discus, UC Berkeley, Political Economy, '09, Croatia

Marcin Matkowski, Tennis, Doubles, UCLA, Economics, '02, Poland

Greg Meehan, Men's Swimming, Assistant Coach, Estonia, Associate Head Coach at UC Berkeley

Dominik Meichtry, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Interdisciplinary Studies, '09, Switzerland

Christine Sonali Merrill, Track and Field, 400 Hurdles, Mechanical Engineering, '09, UC San Diego, Sri Lanka

Graeme Moore, Swimming, 400-meter Freestyle Relay, UC Berkeley, Integrative Biology, '11, South Africa

Amin Nikfar, Track and Field, Shot Put, UC Berkeley, '04, Iran

Tori Pena, Track and Field, Pole Vault, UCLA, International Development, '10, Ireland

Jean-Julien Rojer, Tennis, Doubles, UCLA, Sociology, '02, Netherlands

Aleksa Saponjic, Water Polo, UC Berkeley, Undeclared, '14, Serbia

Olivier Siegelaar, Rowing, UC Berkeley, Mechanical Engineering, '12, Netherlands

Chelsea Stewart, Soccer, UCLA, Business-Related Field, '12, Canada

Marcin Tarczynski, Swimming, UC Berkeley, Undeclared, '12, Poland

Rosie White, Soccer, UCLA, Undeclared, '15, New Zealand

Hannah Wilson, Swimming, 100 meter freestyle and 100 meter butterfly, UC Berkeley, Anthropology, Hong Kong

Julian Wruck, Track and Field, Discus, UCLA, Philosophy, Australia

Max Zhang, Men's Basketball, UC Berkeley, China