Name: Jay Lu Position: National League Representative Education: Business Administration at Northeastern University

Dear Club Presidents and Representatives,

I'm excited to announce my candidacy to return to the role of National League Representative as we enter another election season at NCTTA.

I've been an active participant of NCTTA throughout my college years where we qualified for Nationals on multiple occasions and I steadily moved up the ranks to President. While I was a leader on my school team, I arranged for various facilities around campus including the hockey arena, the basketball court, and a local club where we could practice free-of-charge while helping to bring in other players to watch and play alongside us.

After my college TT career ended, I was approached and joined the staff ranking as a Division Director in what seemed a natural progression in my goal to both mentor younger players and promote the sport. Soon after, I was promoted to Northeast Regional Director where I worked with Fashion Institute of Technology to host our regionals and NYC divisional tournaments. In my final year as Regional Director, we were able to secure a world-class venue at the Westchester Table Tennis Center where international competitions have been held, and we live-streamed all the incredible action and the celebration on the center table.

As League Rep, I will help directors coordinate activities for all the divisional and regional tournaments, where I have first-hand experience in running, recruiting, and working with facilities and volunteers. One of the main aspect of the role is to grow our staff. Since NCTTA is run entirely by volunteers, getting great people onboard is essential to the organization. As Regional Director, I was able to recruit and train multiple Division Directors that are all still actively contributing in their respective areas after years of service, one of them, Rahul received the coveted Division Director of the Year award.

As a Board Member, I will work to promote fair competition in our league. I will be impartial in interpreting rules and making judgements that I will be proud to announce to the world. As a player, what I loved most about NCTTA is that everyone regardless of skill level, background, and school starts at the same level and are treated with great and equal respect. That will still and always be true.

Because NCTTA is growing tremendously each year, my job will also be filling in for anything else that are needed on an ad hoc basis both internally and externally. Even though we all have full-time jobs, we at NCTTA are always ready to give up weekends to get the job done.

## **Experience:**

2016-2017 National League Representative 2014-2016 Northeast Regional Director (Received Regional Director of the Year) 2013-2014 Upper New England Division Director 2008-2012 Key player, Coach, and President of Northeastern Table Tennis Team

Thank you in advance for your vote in continuing my role as National League Representative. *Jay Lu*