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Mr. R. E. Weinzettel,
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St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Roy:

I have just had a talk with our swimming instructor who suggested that we use one of the new Goal-Hi goals down in the swimming pool for water basketball. This thought occurred to me - why would it not be possible with this adjustable standard to fix some sort of a suction arrangement at the bottom of the standard that would anchor it to the bottom of the pool, and have water polo or water basketball using the Goal-Hi as the single goal.

Where we have baskets at each end of the pool the swimming back and forth is so strenuous and the play is not rapid enough to hold the interest. If we would have a single goal in the center of the pool I believe that the interest in this game would be greatly increased. We would play "Goal-Hi Water Basketball", and this would definitely give us altogether a new game. I believe it would enable you to sell a lot of goals to athletic clubs and Y.M.C.A.'s for use in their swimming pools. It would not only be a new game, but it would catch the fancy of a lot of swimmers.

We could have a rule that any of the swimmers touching the standard would be penalized by giving the opponents a free throw at the goal from ten feet out. The points would be scored just as they are now in Goal-Hi - 3 for one.

I am writing to ask you how you think a goal could be anchored in place in the center of the pool without injury to the tile or cement surface at the bottom. I will be glad to have your reaction.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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